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IN THE
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY
(INCLUDING SIND)
FOR THE YEAR 1907.

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The Honourable Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, from 1st January 1907 to 31st December 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Batty, from 1st January 1907 to 19th July 1907. His Lordship proceeded on furlough on medical certificate for six months from 20th July 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Batchelor, from 16th November 1907 to 31st December 1907. His Lordship was on privilege leave for one month combined with furlough on medical certificate from 1st January to 15th November 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Davar, from 1st January 1907 to 31st December 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Beaman, from 1st January 1907 to 14th January 1907 and from 15th February 1907 to 31st December 1907. His Lordship was on privilege leave for one month from 15th January to 14th February 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Heaton, from 1st January 1907 to 14th January 1907 and from 15th April to 15th November 1907. His Lordship was deputed to inspect the District and Subordinate Courts from 15th January to 14th April 1907 and again for three months from 16th November 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Macleod officiated as a Judge of the High Court from 8th June 1907 to 8th September 1907 and again from 1st October 1907 to 31st December 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Knight officiated as High Court Judge from 29th July 1907 to 31st December 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Pratt officiated as High Court Judge from 15th January 1907 to 14th April 1907.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Khareghat officiated as High Court Judge from 15th January 1907 to 14th February 1907.

5. In the Presidency proper there were on the 31st December 1907—

15 District Judges.

2 Joint Judges.

7 Assistant Judges.

8 Small Cause Court Judges (including those at the Presidency Town) besides the Cantonment Magistrates at Belgaum, Ahmednagar and Ahmedabad, who are invested with Small Cause Court powers up to certain amounts.

17 First Class Subordinate Judges (including two additional First Class Subordinate Judges, but excluding two Inspecting First Class Subordinate Judges, who do not exercise judicial powers).

91 Second Class Subordinate Judges (excluding two inspecting Second Class Subordinate Judges, who do not exercise judicial powers).

6. Besides the above Judicial Officers there were during the year under report 7 Inamdars exercising the powers of Subordinate Judges under Regulation XIII of 1830.

7. In the province of Sind there were on the 31st December 1907 besides the Judicial Commissioner—

2 Additional Judicial Commissioners.

2 District Judges.

1 Joint Judge.

1 Assistant Judge.

1 Small Cause Court Judge (besides the Cantonment Magistrate at Karachi exercising Civil powers).

2 First Class Subordinate Judges.

15 Second Class Subordinate Judges.

8. The Honourable Mr. Justice Heaton was on deputation for a period of three months from 15th January 1907 to inspect the District and Subordinate Courts in this Presidency, subject to the directions of the Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges. In the course of his tour, his Lordship visited the Districts of Ahmedabad, Broach, Surat, Khándesh, Thána, Poona, Belgaum and Sátára; his attention was mainly directed to ascertaining the method in which work is done in the Courts, both in the trial of suits and in the disposal of execution proceedings, and to an enquiry into the extent to which there is effective supervision in the Judicial Department. As the result of such inspection, Circulars indicating common errors and suggesting ways of improvement were issued to all Subordinate Courts. Some of the important defects noticed by his Lordship were considered by the Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges in Chambers and extracts from his Lordship's memorandum were also circulated for the information of Subordinate Courts. His Lordship also held a Conference of some District Judges and Subordinate Judges at Mahábleshwar with a view to obtain a body of opinion on certain points and the Resolutions passed by the Conference were considered by their Lordships in Chambers and the necessary orders were issued thereon. His Lordship was again sent on deputation for three months from 16th November 1907 to complete the work of inspection. During this second tour his Lordship visited the remaining Districts of Ratnágiri, Ahmednagar, Sholápur, Kánara, Dhárwár, Bijápur and Násik, and noticed marked improvement both in Judicial and Administrative matters. The improvement was chiefly shown in the more correct framing of issues, more expeditious disposal of suits and more care in execution proceedings. The work of the Bailiffs was also found to be more actively supervised. The four Inspecting Subordinate Judges enabled the District Judges to make more effective inspection of the Subordinate Courts. It was, however, considered that there was scope for further improvement in respect of supervision and inspection by the High Court over the District and Subordinate Judges, by the District Judges over the Subordinate Judges and their establishment and by the Subordinate Judges over their Clerks, Názírs, Kárkuns and Bailiffs, and proposals for reforms in respect of these matters were laid by the Inspecting High Court Judge before Government.

9. With regard to the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act the reports of various District Judges will be found summarised below. Their Lordships are of opinion that it is too early yet for the High Court to express competent opinion as to the result of the working of the Act so far as it has been extended and are not prepared to accept the somewhat pessimistic view which has been expressed from some quarters. The District Judge of Dhárwár believes that the Act while effecting its object in individual cases has done and is doing so at the expense of agricultural credit in general. It is reported that in the District of Surat the Sávkárs, well understanding the operation of the Act, do not generally claim more than that allowed under the Act; and that the Act has enabled many agriculturists to regain land which was otherwise lost to them. The District Judge of Ahmedabad observes that though the Act seems to have influenced to a marked degree the institutions of suits and applications for execution of decrees, there is no diminution observable in the institution of appeals. In the Sholápur District, on the other hand (where the Act has long been in force), it is stated that there has been a considerable increase in the institution of suits and a proportionate increase in their valuation. Suits for money or moveable property were more than half the total number. The insertion of Section 10A in the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act is said to be the cause of many institutions of a speculative nature. The Subordinate Judges in that District are generally of opinion that the Act does little real good, that the ryots have lost their credit, that they collude with the Sávkárs to receive money before the village registrars and pay it back directly they get out of the office and that the effect of the enactment of Section 10A has merely been to render every sale deed liable to be questioned as a mortgage. In the Násik District also the increase in the institutions of appeals is stated to be due to the new system of taking accounts introduced by the Daccan Agriculturists' Relief Act, which gave rise to dissatisfaction by one or other of the parties with the decision of the Subordinate Judge and to appeals in most cases. Similarly in the Khándesh District the increase in the number of appeals is reported to be partly

due to appeals from orders under Sections 20 and 15B of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act. In the Broach District the suits under the Act are said to have been chiefly brought by shrewd and literate and well-to-do agriculturists, especially Bohras, who are more than well able, as a rule, to hold their own against the money-lender, without any extraneous assistance; also a considerable number were for redemption of very recent mortgages. The immediate economic effect of the Act is reported to have been a contraction of the credit of the agriculturist, and an encouragement of sales as against mortgages. The relation between the *Sávkár* and *ryot* is said to have changed for the worse; and both, but especially the latter, often do not hesitate to falsify the history of the transactions. The District Judge, however, is of opinion that the Act being there, must be given a fair trial before further changes are introduced. In the District of Thána the decline in the institutions is said to be owing partly to the desire of the money-lenders to avoid the Courts and the investigation into the history of transactions. In that District the benefits of the Act are appreciated and resorted to by the agriculturists. Sections 12 to 15, 20, 21 and 71A are generally availed of by agriculturist debtor, but no appreciable benefit is taken of the provisions regarding redemption and not at all of Sections 15 (d), 16, 17 and 18. There has been a rise in the ejectment suits, as the *Sávkárs* have the chance of securing *ex parte* decrees when suits are launched in this form. This, it is suggested, can be avoided by a wider application of Section 7. One favourite mode in which the *Sávkárs* attempt to override the provisions of the Act is to file awards made on a reference out of Court or to effect a compromise which is not always to the benefit of the debtor. The Courts cannot then inquire into the history of the transactions, &c. The appointment of conciliators will, it is hoped, remove the scope for such awards, but the difficulty of securing suitable conciliators is so great that the District Judge is not at present in favour of introducing the conciliation system in his district. Another remedy in his opinion would be to make the awards or compromises to which agriculturists are parties liable to the scrutiny provided for by the Act, but this would require fresh legislation.

The Annual Statements.

10. In accordance with letter No. 1446—1448, dated the 18th September 1905, from the Government of India to the Government of Bombay, this statement is filled up in duplicate—one for civil and the other for criminal work—and the statistics of Revenue Courts are excluded from it, as also from the other judicial statements.

11. The total number of civil cases decided during the year under report was 309,945 as against 323,368 in the last year, showing a decrease of 13,423. Last year also there was a decrease of 22,489. This decrease, as last year, was due to the extension of the greater part of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act to the whole Presidency except the City of Bombay, involving a more lengthy procedure.

12. Of the total number of decided cases, about 41·9 per cent. were regular suits, 56·3 per cent. miscellaneous cases, and 1·8 per cent. appeals.

13. The total receipts of all the Courts (Civil and Criminal) have fallen from Rs. 36,90,016 to Rs. 36,49,123, while the total charges have risen from Rs. 53,06,464 to Rs. 53,69,678. These figures are supplied by the Accountant General, Bombay, in accordance with the Government Resolution, Judicial Department, No. 5042 of the 11th August 1893.

14. The total number of suits instituted in all the Courts was 1,25,560 as against 1,32,478 in the preceding year, showing a decrease of 6,918. Last year also there was a decrease of 9,729. The decrease, as last year, seems to have been due to the extension of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act to the whole Presidency. The Act has apparently decreased the number of suits, but increased the number of appeals.

15. There was a decrease of 7,417 in the number of suits for money as compared with 11,275 last year. There was also slight decrease in the miscellaneous suits, but some increase in all other kinds of suits filed during the year.

16. The percentages of suits for money or moveable property fell from 78 to 75·4 and that of suits relating to immoveable property (including mortgage

and pre-emption suits) rose from 14 to 15·9; the percentage of all other kinds of suits together was 8·7 as compared with 8 last year.

17. The aggregate value of suits rose from Rs. 3,53,93,539 to Rs. 4,03,16,807.

Statement No. VIII. There was an increase in the number of suits over Rs. 500 in value. All other kinds of suits, *i. e.*, those not exceeding Rs. 10, 50, 100 and 500, as also those in which the value could not be ascertained in money, showed a decrease.

18. The Courts of all the classes showed an increase in the value of suits instituted during the year.

19. There were 104,648 suits for disposal before all the Courts, out of which 129,825 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 34,823 pending at the end of the year. The corresponding figures for the last

Statement No. IX, Part I. year were 168, 459, 131, 419 and 37,020, respectively.

20. The disposals may be classified as under:—

Without trial	...	...	...	About 11·3 per cent.
Without contest	...	..	...	„ 46 6 „
With contest	...	...	...	„ 37 9 „
On reference to arbitration	...	...	...	„ 4·2 „

21. Of the total number of suits disposed of with contest and on reference to arbitration, judgment was given for plaintiff in whole or in part in 86 per cent. and for the defendant in 14 per cent. cases.

22. The average duration of contested suits fell from 213 days to 175 days in the year under report, and of uncontested suits from 91 to 71. The corresponding figures for 1904 and 1905 respectively were 252 and 148 for contested and 76 and 79 for uncontested suits. In the District Courts the average duration was 307 for contested and 116 for uncontested suits as against 272 and 90, respectively. In the mofussil Subordinate Courts the average duration was 192 for contested and 99 for uncontested as against 249 and 128, respectively. In the superior Courts the average duration was 176 for contested and 308 for uncontested as against 574 and 342, respectively.

23. The following table gives some idea of the comparative litigiousness of the several districts in the Presidency:—

District.	Population	Number of suits instituted.	Proportion of Population to suits instituted	Total number of decided suits.	Proportion of contested suits to the number of decided suits.
Bombay	770,843	25,845	1 to 29	26,039	1 to 7
Broach	291,428	3,139	1 to 92	3,051	1 to 2
Sukkur-Larkhāna (including Upper Sind Frontier).	1,250,699	12,811	1 to 97	13,290	1 to 7
Nāsik	819,575	7,531	1 to 108	7,676	1 to 2
Poona	995,071	7,191	1 to 132	7,586	1 to 3
Hyderabad	990,502	6,980	1 to 141	7,351	1 to 9
Ahmedabad (including Kaira and Panch Mahāls)	1,772,689	11,894	1 to 149	12,242	1 to 2
Karāchi	607,439	3,959	1 to 153	3,984	1 to 3
Khāndesh	1,442,018	8,980	1 to 162	9,395	1 to 2
Surat	636,602	3,668	1 to 173	4,025	1 to 2
Kānara	454,238	2,119	1 to 187	2,605	1 to 2
Ahmednagar	837,774	3,973	1 to 210	3,959	1 to 2
Thāna (including Kolāba) .	1,414,526	6,307	1 to 224	6,966	1 to 2
Ratnāgiri	1,166,890	4,960	1 to 235	4,973	1 to 2
Sholāpur	720,978	2,999	1 to 240	3,068	1 to 2
Dhārwar	1,118,426	4,309	1 to 258	4,058	1 to 2
Bijāpur	735,041	2,741	1 to 268	2,702	1 to 2
Sātāra	1,146,521	2,944	1 to 389	3,031	1 to 2
Belgaum	994,209	2,276	1 to 436	3,201	1 to 2
Thar and Pārkar	864,168	434	1 to 889	420	1 to 12

24. In addition to the regular suits mentioned above, the Courts disposed of 18,949 miscellaneous cases as against 19,706 during last year. The percentage of contested miscellaneous cases was about 32 and the average duration of such cases was 114 days as against 105 days in the preceding year.

25. The following table shows the results of appeals disposed of during the year as compared with those disposed of during the last year :—

Year				Appeals presented	Objections under Section 561, Civil Procedure Code	Appeals decided.	Arrears.
1906	...	...	..	5,298	348	4,672	1,070
1907	...	...	..	6,447	372	5,644	4,873

26. The First Class Subordinate Judges and Small Cause Court Judges invested with appellate powers disposed of 458 appeals as against 262 last year.

27. Of the total number of appeals decided, 1,077 were not prosecuted or were dismissed for default under Section 551 of the Civil Procedure Code. The remaining 4,567 appeals may be classified as under :—

Number in which decree was confirmed	...	2,988 or 65 per cent.
Do. do. modified	...	673 „ 15 „
Do. do. reversed	...	659 „ 15 „
Do. suit was remanded	...	247 „ 5 „

28. The average duration of appeals was 232 days as against 249 days last year.

29. There was considerable increase in the institutions as well as in the disposals of miscellaneous appeals, the figures being 519 and 429 as against 233 and 248, respectively, last year. The average duration of these appeals was 239 days as against 163 in the previous year.

30. As regards applications for execution, the following table shows the figures for the year under report as compared with those in 1906 :—

Year.				Institution.	Disposals	Arrears.
1906	...	...	...	167,334	166,960	50,637
1907	...	...	..	147,503	154,852	43,288

31. Out of the total number of applications for execution disposed of, 650 were disposed of by transfer. In 23,870 satisfaction was obtained in full, in 28,077 in part, while 102,255 proved wholly infructuous. The percentages of the last three heads of disposal were 16, 18, 66, the same as last year.

32. The total amount realized in execution came to Rs. 47,38,480 as against Rs. 55,58,850 last year.

33. The number of cases in which the judgment-debtor was imprisoned was 569 as against 646 last year, and of those in which immoveable property was sold was 3,539 as against 4,175.

34. The number of persons imprisoned in execution of decrees was 569 and the number of persons arrested but released without imprisonment was 2,200. The number of applications for declaration of insolvency was 370.

35. The total number of applications for declaration of insolvency disposed of during the year was 246. Of these, 96 were withdrawn, 75 granted and 75 rejected.

General Remarks.

36. The congestion of the civil files was dealt with by the deputation of Joint First or Second Class Subordinate Judges to the following places during the whole or part of the year under report, *viz.*, Mahád, Thána, Ratnágiri, Broach, Belgaum, Dápoli, Párner, Dhulia, Chikodi, Umreth, Poona, Haveli, Vadgaon, Kumta, Ahmedabad, Karád, Gadag, Yeola, Kárwár, Yával and Bágalkot.

37. The First Class Subordinate Judges of Sátára, Sholápur, Ahmednagar, Poona and Dhulia were empowered to assist the respective District Judges under Section 52 of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act, XVII of 1879.

38. The District or Assistant Judges of Ahmedabad, Ahmednagar, B'jápur, Broach, Dhárwár, Kánara, Khándesh, Násik, Poona, Ratnágiri, Sholápur, Surat and Thána inspected in all 27 Subordinate Judges' Courts during the year under report. The Inámdár's Court at Akolner was also examined by the District Judge of Ahmednagar.

39. The record rooms and libraries are reported by the District Judges generally to be in good order. Steps are being taken to replenish the stock of books in the Subordinate Court libraries. The destruction of useless records is carried out periodically in accordance with the rules framed by the High Court.

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
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Bombay, 2nd September 1908.*

P. E. PERCIVAL,
Acting Registrar.

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1. The Report relates to the Administration of Criminal Justice in all the Courts (including the Courts of the Presidency Magistrates) in the Bombay Presidency Proper and in the Province of Sind.

2. The area and population of the above territories are the same as those given at page 1.

3. In the Presidency Proper on 31st December 1907, there were besides the Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court :—

- 15 Sessions Judges.
- 3 Additional Sessions Judges.
- 9 Assistant Sessions Judges.
- 19 District Magistrates.
- 4 Presidency Magistrates.
- 247 First Class Magistrates.
- 222 Second Class Magistrates.
- 227 Third Class Magistrates.
- 163 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards, under Bombay Act I of 1889.

Besides the above, there were 14,899 Village Police Pátils in the Presidency with power under Section 14 of Act VIII of 1867, some being also invested with Criminal Jurisdiction under Section 15 of the said Act.

4. In Sind on 31st December 1907, in addition to the Judicial Commissioner, there were :—

- 2 Additional Judicial Commissioners.
- 2 Sessions Judges.
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- 4 District Magistrates.
- 74 First Class Magistrates.
- 54 Second Class Magistrates.
- 69 Third Class Magistrates.
- 8 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards, under Bombay Act I of 1889.

5. The Judges and Magistrates mentioned above were all paid, except 236 Special and Honorary Magistrates, of whom 174 formed 16 Benches which were as follows :—

3 at Bombay	consisting of 97 Magistrates.		
2 „ Poona	do.	19	do.
1 „ Sátára	do.	9	do.
1 „ Dhulia	do.	7	do.
1 „ Sholápur	do.	7	do.
1 „ Nadiád	do.	6	do.
1 „ Ahmednagar	do.	5	do.
1 „ Nipáni	do.	5	do.
1 „ Bijápur	do.	5	do.
1 „ Belgaum	do.	5	do.
1 „ Lonávli	do.	3	do.
1 „ Sirsi	do.	3	do.
1 „ Kumta	do.	3	do.
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6. The total number of Criminal Cases disposed of in the year under report was 153,179 as compared with 157,021 in the last year, showing a decrease of 1,842. Of the total number of decided cases, 95·8 per cent. were original and 4·2 per cent. were appeal and revision cases. The percentages for the previous year were 96·5 and 3·5, respectively.

7. The total number of offences fell from 159,751 to 157,996. The number of cases reported as true was 148,116 or 93·7 per cent. of the total number of offences reported, the rest being cases dismissed under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, or cases in which the charge was declared to be false.

8. Of the total number of cases returned as true 39·8 per cent. were under the Indian Penal Code and the rest under the Special and Local Laws. Cases under the Indian Penal Code related chiefly as last year to offences of hurt, theft, criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, criminal force and assault, mischief and criminal trespass. The principal cases under Special and Local Laws related to offences under Bombay City Police Act, District Police Acts, the Bombay and District Municipal Acts, the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, the Public Conveyance Act, the Criminal Procedure Code and the Forest Act.

9. There was one offence against the State and four relating to Army and Navy. There was no offence under the Official Secrets Act.

10. There was a material increase in the following classes of offences :—

Offences.	Number in 1906	Number in 1907.
Government Stamps	5	15
Hurt	19,695	20,376
Criminal force and assault	4,941	5,373
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance	6,106	6,173
Under the Breaches of Contract Act	997	1,471
Under the Cantonment Rules	99	1,311
Under the Criminal Procedure Code	1,706	2,026
Under the Criminal Tribes Act	22	65
Under the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act	30	65
Under European Vagrancy Act	136	209
Under the Merchant Shipping Act	35	66
Under the Prisoners Act	14	33
Under the Registration Act	4	13
Under the Treasure Trove Act	3	11
Under the Municipal (District) Act	8,947	10,617
Under the Municipal Servants Act	3	15
Under the Pat Trust Act	1	18
Under the Vaccination (Karáchr) Act	3	52
44 and 15 Vic., Chap 55, Statute	1	11

11. Offences under the following heads show a considerable decrease :—

Offences.	Number in 1906.	Number in 1907.
Coins	76	36
Criminal Breach of Contracts of Service	23	10
Under the Cantonment Code	1,885	735
Under the Forest Act	2,01	2,09
Under the Opium Act	203	142
Under the Ports Act	351	160
Under the Post Office Act	26	10
Under the Stage Carriage Act	43	23
Under the Abkari Act (Bombay)	2,194	1,692
Under the City of Bombay Police Act	36,440	34,126
Under the District Police Act	8,796	8,395
Under the Motor Vehicles Act	57	35
Under the Bombay Municipal Act	4,944	4,783
Under the Police Regulation XII of 1827	159	63
Under the Vaccination Act	191	99
Under the Village Sanitation Act	152	96

12. Out of 544 cases affecting human life brought to trial during the year, 252 were murders as compared with 274 out of 591 in the previous year.

These murders may be classified as follows:—

From motives connected with women	...	94
Of children for the sake of their ornaments	...	6
Other murders for the sake of gain	29
Murders for other causes	...	123
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13. The following table shows the comparative criminality of the several districts:—

Districts.	Population.	Offences returned as true.	Proportion of such offences to Population.
Bombay	770,843	59,528	1 to 12
Ahmedabad	750,911	9,521	1 to 83
Karachi	607,439	6,352	1 to 95
Poona	995,074	9,343	1 to 106
Sukkur Larkhāna	1,018,237	6,758	1 to 150
Thāna	809,361	8,193	1 to 155
Hyderabad	9,05,502	6,261	1 to 158
Broach	291,428	1,828	1 to 159
Nāsik	819,575	5,099	1 to 160
Kaira	715,725	4,157	1 to 176
Surat	636,602	3,118	1 to 186
Panch Mahāls	261,870	1,287	1 to 203
Ahmednagar	837,771	4,105	1 to 204
Kolāta	605,115	2,964	1 to 204
Sholāpur	720,978	3,373	1 to 213
Upper Sind Frontier	232,462	961	1 to 241
Kānara	454,238	1,506	1 to 301
Khāndesh	1,412,018	4,653	1 to 309
Sāwā	1,146,521	3,781	1 to 310
Belgaum	984,209	2,612	1 to 380
Thār and Fākar	361,118	880	1 to 413
Bijāpur	735,011	1,592	1 to 461
Dhārwar	1,113,476	1,721	1 to 645
Ratnāgiri	1,166,890	1,534	1 to 760

14. In the districts of Hyderabad, Poona, Karachi and Ahmedabad, the number of offences increased by 911, 855, 722 and 704, respectively, whereas in Bombay, Sátara, Nāsik and Belgaum there was a decrease of 1271, 799, 671 and 632, respectively. In the remaining districts there was no marked increase or decrease.

15. The number of cases brought to trial during the year was 146,641 as against 148,620 last year and the number of persons involved in them was 238,566 as against 237,821 last year.

16. Of the 238,566 persons under trial, 117,382 or 49·2 per cent. were acquitted or discharged; 110,079 or 46·2 per cent. were convicted; 926 (·4 per cent.) died, escaped or were transferred to another province, or made over to Military or Naval Authorities, or had their cases pending on the dormant file, and 10,179 (4·2 per cent.) remained under trial.

17. In the last year the percentages were 48, 47, ·5 and 4·5, respectively.

18. The following table shows the ratio of acquittals to convictions in each class of offences:—

Description of Offences.	Persons acquitted or discharged.	Persons convicted.	Ratio of acquittals to convictions.
Offences against the State	0	2	0 : 100
Offences relating to Army and Navy	16	1	91 : 6
Offences against the Public Tranquillity	4,982	1,753	73 : 27
Attempts at do. do.	10	6	6 : 38
Offences by or relating to public servants	1'0	59	67 : 33
Contempts of the lawful authority	415	371	52 : 48
False evidence and offences against public justice	474	514	47 : 53
Attempts at do. do.	2	2	50 : 50
Offences relating to coin	40	26	60 : 40
Attempts at do.	1	0	100 : 0
Offences relating to Government Stamps	7	12	36 : 64
Offences relating to weights and measures	42	58	42 : 58
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals	335	871	27 : 73
Attempts at do. do.	3	5	37 : 63
Offences relating to religion	100	12	89 : 11
Offences affecting life	438	332	56 : 44
Attempts at do.	37	32	53 : 47
Causing of miscarriage, injury to unborn children exposure of infants and concealment of births	43	50	46 : 54
Hurt	47,925	3,241	93 : 7
Attempts at Hurt	2	10	16 : 84
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	1,311	160	89 : 11
Criminal force and assault	9,441	1,461	86 : 14
Attempts at do.	10	5	66 : 34
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour	276	101	73 : 27
Attempts at do. do.	8	0	100 : 0
Rape	78	26	68 : 32
Attempts at rape	2	3	40 : 60
Unnatural offence	8	15	31 : 66
Theft	4,216	8,937	31 : 68
Attempts at theft	10	41	19 : 81
Extortion	1'8	23	86 : 14
Robbery and dacoity	715	332	68 : 32
Attempts at do.	71	4	94 : 6
Criminal misappropriation of property	637	191	77 : 24
Criminal breach of trust	821	516	60 : 40
Attempts at do.	0	1	0 : 100
Receiving (if stolen) property	5'7	721	42 : 58
Attempts at do.	0	2	0 : 100
Cheating	140	265	67 : 33
Attempts at cheating	5	14	26 : 74
Fraudulent dealing and disposition of property	80	12	86 : 14
Mischief	7,450	694	91 : 9
Attempts at mischief	2	1	66 : 34
Criminal trespass	4,087	1,342	75 : 25
Attempts at do.	17	25	40 : 60
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks	132	43	75 : 25
Criminal breach of contracts of service	21	0	100 : 0
Offences relating to marriages	2,628	137	95 : 5
Attempts at do.	7	2	77 : 23
Defamation	598	55	91 : 9
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance	12,573	651	95 : 5
Offences under Special and Local Laws	15,962	86,102	15 : 85

19. The total number of European British subjects whose cases were disposed of during the year under report rose from 550 to 573. Of these, 205 (36 per cent) were charged under the Penal Code, and 371 (64 per cent.) under the Special and Local Laws. The charges under the Penal Code related chiefly to hurt, criminal force and assault, theft, criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, criminal breach of trust and cheating.

20. Of the 576 persons whose cases were disposed of, 425 were convicted and 151 acquitted or discharged. The cases of 573 were disposed of by Magistrates and of 3 persons by the High Court. In the case of 231 persons the deciding Magistrate was a European British Subject, and in the case of 342 persons he was other than a European British Subject. In the case of 3 persons disposed of by the High Court, the Sessions Judge was a European British Subject. Columns 13, 16 and 18 of the Statement show that 50 of the accused persons claimed to be tried by mixed jury under Sections 450 and 451 of the Criminal Procedure Code, of whom 43 persons were in Sind cases, and 3 in the High Court.

21. There were 3,429 miscellaneous cases before the Courts involving Statement No. III. 7,074 persons, of whom about 23 per cent. were discharged and about 71 per cent. were convicted, and the cases of about 6 per cent. were pending.

22. There was a material increase in the number of persons (a) involved in proceedings (1) under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour (2) against local nuisance and (b) released under Section 562, and a material decrease in offences under Chapter XII relating to disputes as to possession of immoveable property.

23. The number of original regular cases disposed of during the year was Statement No. IV. 145,306 as against 147,540 in the last year. Of these, 142,103 were disposed of by Magistrates and 2,903 by Courts of Sessions and Superior Courts and by Village Officers and Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards.

24. Of the total number of persons convicted, 33.5 per cent. were convicted on regular and 63.5 per cent. on summary trial. The percentages of the last year were 34.4 and 65.6, respectively.

25. The number of youthful offenders dealt with under Section 31 of Act VIII of 1897 was 254 as against 286.

26. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1907 as contrasted with those in 1906 :—

Year.	Number of persons sentenced to					
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal Servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.
1906	52	138	2	18,386	88,651	1,054
1907	55	128	1	15,409	86,138	1,509

27. In 79,618 cases the amount of fine imposed did not exceed Rs 10, in 5,577 it was between Rs. 10 and Rs. 50, and in 5,496 cases the term of imprisonment did not exceed 15 days, and in 7,985 it was between 15 days and 6 months.

28. The total amount of fines imposed fell from Rs. 4,33,175 to Rs. 4,18,571, and that of fines realised was Rs. 3,44,677 as compared with Rs. 3,52,207

29. Out of 1,509, the total number of whippings inflicted, 1,018 were in lieu of other punishments, 945 being on first conviction and 73 on re-conviction, 166 were in addition to other punishments and 325 were inflicted on juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II of Statement V-A.

30. The percentage of whippings on the total number of all punishments was 15.51 as compared with 16.32 in the preceding year. In the majority of cases whipping was inflicted for offences of theft, the number of stripes being in the majority of cases 5 to 10.

31. Excluding the number of appellants who died, or escaped, or whose cases were transferred to another province and the number of those whose appeals were pending at the close of the year, the results of the appeals were :—

Rejected	in 45.6 per cent. cases.
Sentence confirmed	in 27 " "
Sentence enhanced	in 4 " "
Sentence reduced	in 9 " "
Sentence reversed	in 17 " "
Otherwise disposed of	in 1 " "

32. Of the total number of appeals decided 45 per cent. were disposed of by District Magistrates and other Magistrates invested with appellate powers, 43 per cent. by Court of Sessions, and 12 per cent. by Superior Courts.

33. In revision the sentence was enhanced in the cases of 2 persons. The general results of revision are compared with those of appeals in the following table :—

		In Revision,	In Appeal.
		In the case of	In the case of
Proceedings quashed	...	29 persons	1 person
New trial or further enquiry ordered	...	137	62 persons.
Sentence reduced or otherwise altered	...	74	50
Sentence reversed	...	201	1,008

34. Persons tried by jury and with the aid of assessors numbered 281 and 1,285, respectively. In the Courts of Session the verdict of the jury was approved as regards 201 out of 234 accused persons and disapproved as regards 30. In cases tried with assessors, the Judge agreed with all assessors in 73 per cent. of the cases, with some in 13 per cent. and differed from all assessors in 14 per cent.

*His Majesty's High Court of
Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 23rd September 1908.*

P. E. PERCIVAL,
Acting Registrar.

No. A-453 of 1908.

From

E. M. PRATT, Esq., I. C. S.,
Acting Judicial Commissioner of Sind ;

To

THE REGISTRAR,
High Court, Appellate Side, Bombay.

*Judicial Commissioner's Office,
Karachi, 28th July 1908.*

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the Annual Statements relating to the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind during the year 1907, together with reports and returns received from the several District Judges and District Magistrates.

2. No change occurred in the constitution of the existing Courts in the Province of Sind, but there was a regrading of Subordinate Judges, *vide* Government Resolution, Judicial Department, No. 5355, dated the 26th September 1907.

3. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. A. Lucas, I. C. S., from the 1st January 1907 to the 26th September 1907, and by Mr. E. M. Pratt, I. C. S., from the 27th September 1907 to the 31st December 1907, assisted by the Additional Judicial Commissioners as follows :—

Mr. E. M. Pratt, I. C. S., from the 1st to the 9th January 1907.

Mr. R. Knight, I. C. S., from the 10th January to 25th July 1907.

Mr. M. H. W. Hayward, I. C. S., from the 30th July to 20th September 1907.

Mr. E. M. Pratt, I. C. S., from the 21st to the 26th September 1907.

Mr. M. H. W. Hayward, I. C. S., from 27th September to 31st December 1907.

Mr. H. N. Crouch, Barrister-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1907.

The following officers were in charge of the District and Sessions Court of Hyderabad :—

Mr. P. E. Percival, I. C. S., from the 1st January to 29th March 1907.

Mr. C. H. Blathwayt, I. C. S., from 30th March to 29th October 1907.

Mr. L. C. Crump, I. C. S., from 30th October to the 31st December 1907.

Mr. C. H. Blathwayt, I. C. S., was Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge from 1st January to 29th March 1907.

Mr. Ali Mahomed Hassanali, Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, from the 3rd October to the 2nd December 1907.

Mr. C. V. Vernon, I. C. S., from 19th November to 31st December 1907.

The following officers held charge of the office of District and Sessions Judge of Sukkur-Larkhāna :—

Mr. E. H. E. Leggatt, I. C. S., from 1st January to the 3rd April 1907.

Mr. F. K. Boyd, I. C. S., from the 4th April to the 31st December 1907.

Messrs. Motiram S. Advani, Barrister-at-Law, and Lilaram Vatanmal were Joint Judges, the former from the 1st January to the 2nd October 1907 and again from the 26th October to the 31st December 1907, and the latter from the 3rd to the 25th October 1907.

Mr. F. K. Boyd, I. C. S., was Assistant Judge from the 6th March to the 3rd April 1907.

Mr. E. Wilkin was in charge of the Court of Small Causes, Karáchi, during the whole year under report.

Mr. Gurbamal Manghirsing was Registrar of the Court of Small Causes, Karáchi, during the whole year and exercised Judicial powers.

4. The appendix to Statement No. 1 giving the receipts and charges in each Court, shows the total receipts at Rs. 4,48,726 and the total charges at Rs. 8,66,644 during the year under report, disclosing an excess of Rs. 4,17,918 in expenditure over receipts. The statement is prepared by the Accountant General.

Criminal Justice.

5. The number of offences reported and persons accused shows an increase as compared with the preceding year, the figures being :—

Year.			Offences reported.	Offenders.
1906	...	...	23,886	50,418
1907	...	...	25,130	52,171
			+1,244	+1,753

The figures relating to offences eventually returned as true show an increase as compared with the previous year, the figures being :—

Year.			Offences returned as true.	Number of offenders in cases returned as true.
1906	...	...	19,513	38,113
1907	...	...	21,212	40,813
			+1,699	+2,700

6. The number of trials rose from 18,993 to 20,108 and the number of persons tried also rose from 41,535 to 44,045. The number of persons remaining under trial likewise rose from 4,230 to 4,586 at the end of the year under report.

7. Particulars as to results of trials in the different districts (including the 25 persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in the following table :—

District of	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died or escaped.	Remaining under trial.	Remarks.
Karáchi ...	10,258					
Hyderabad ...	12,632	5,692	3,491	19	1,056	
Sukkur ...	6,286	6,948	3,898	200	1,586	
Lárkhána ...	9,985	4,131	1,656	18	482	
Upper Sind Frontier ...	2,449	7,433	1,708	12	832	
Thar and Párkar ...	2,410	1,547	576	5	321	
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.	25	1,583	500	5	*307	
		9	14	...	2	
	44,045					
		27,343	11,842	259	4,586	

* Do not include 15 on dormant file.

8. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts in the Province of Sind for the last three years :—

District of	1905.		1906.		1907.	
	Cases disposed of.	Appeals disposed of.	Cases disposed of.	Appeals disposed of.	Cases disposed of.	Appeals disposed of.
Karachi ...	23	111	30	144	20	93
Hyderabad ...	65	295	49	256	93	301
Sukkur and Larkhāna ..	80	330	98	273	101	275

9. The cases of 24 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In 13 cases the sentence of death was confirmed, in 9 the convictions and sentences were reversed and the accused were acquitted, and the cases of the remaining 2 were pending at the close of the year.

10. One case involving one person was referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code, which resulted in the conviction of the accused.

11. The whole number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 132 in 1906 to 143 in the year under report. A large proportion of this class of crime arises from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows cases of murders and their motives during the year under report :—

District.			From motives connected with women.	Other cases.
Karachi	...	...	5	12
Hyderabad	...	...	15	37
Sukkur	...	...	6	2
Larkhāna	...	...	11	12
Upper Sind Frontier	...	...	11	1
Thar and Parkar	...	...	4	4

12. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads :—

- i. Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
- ii. Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.
- iii. Hurt.
- iv. Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
- v. Criminal force and assault.
- vi. Criminal breach of trust.
- vii. Receiving of stolen property.
- viii. Offences relating to marriage.
- ix. Offences under Special and Local Laws.

There was a decrease under the following heads :—

- i. Offences against the public tranquillity.
- ii. Offences by or relating to public servants.
- iii. Offences relating to coin.
- iv. Offences affecting life.
- v. Causing of miscarriage; injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants, and the concealment of births.
- vi. Kidnapping and forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.
- vii. Unnatural offence.
- viii. Theft.

- IX. Extortion.
 X. Robbery and dacoity.
 XI. Criminal mis-appropriation of property.
 XII. Cheating.
 XIII. Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
 XIV. Offences relating to documents or to trade or property marks.
 XV. Criminal breach of contract of service.
 XVI. Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

13. The powers of requiring security for good behaviour from bad characters were more freely exercised in the year under report than in the preceding year, the number of cases being 1,036 as compared with 605 in 1906.

14. There was a slight decrease in the number of frivolous and vexatious complaints dealt with summarily under section 250 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

15. Applications for orders of maintenance were less numerous in the year under review than in the preceding year. The orders granted numbered 10 out of 92 applications against 14 out of 100 applications in the preceding year.

16. There were 44,430 persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts in Sind. The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1906 :—

Year				Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted	
						On regular trial.	On summary trial.
1906	...	...	...	42,039	26,393	6,583	3,862
1907	...	...	...	44,430	27,313	8,108	3,734
				+2,391	+920	+1,385	—128

17. The following table shows punishments inflicted in 1907 as contrasted with those in 1906 :—

Year.	Death.	Trans- portation.	Imprisonment		Fines.	Whip- ping	Persons ordered to furnish security, etc.	Persons imprisoned for default	
			Rigorous.	Simple.					
1906	...	13	22	3,308	105	6,668	281	678	393
1907	...	27	30	2,678	151	7,301	195	1,698	1,018

18. The fines amounted to Rs. 94,155-14-0 as against Rs. 82,807-15-9 and the compensation paid to the accused persons amounted to Rs. 7,101-7-1 as against Rs. 7,858-0-3.

19. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,466, i.e., 111 more than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 2,063 cases and were reversed or varied in 403, that is, the sentences were maintained in fact in close upon 83 per cent. of the appeals.

20. The above appeals were thus distributed :—

Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind	...	165
Sessions Courts	...	953
Magistrates	...	1,318

The Criminal Appeals in the Court of Judicial Commissioner of Sind show a decrease of 17; those in the Courts of Sessions an increase of 68, while those in the Courts of Magistrates disclose an increase of 760.

21. During the year under report the cases of 462 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind alone.

The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 383 and the District Magistrates of 395 persons.

22. The principal results of this revision were that one sentence was enhanced, 11 reduced or otherwise altered, and 66 reversed. In the cases of 7 persons proceedings were quashed and in the cases of 47 persons new trials or further enquiry were ordered.

23. The following table shows the Criminal work (apart from the inspection of Magistrates' Courts) disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind in the year under report as compared with that of 1906 and the arrears at the end of the year:—

Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1905.	1906.		Arrears on 1st December 1906.	1905.		Arrears on 31st December 1907.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
Reported cases ...	3	26	24	5	61	67	2
Criminal revision otherwise than on application ...	19	78	92	5	26	31	...
Criminal revision on application ...	13	91	93	11	80	92	8
Confirmation cases ...	5	11	13	...	13	12	1
Cases referred under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code ...	1	2	3	...	1	1	...
Criminal appeals ..	18	98	105	11	94	93	12
Transfer applications under section 526, Criminal Procedure Code ...	5	40	40	5	30	39	2
Applications under section 498, Criminal Procedure Code ...	...	9	9	...	8	8	...

Civil Justice.

24. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 24,184 as compared with 26,537 in 1906:—

The numbers in each of the District Courts in the two years were:—

	1906.	1907.
Karachi ...	303	408
Hyderabad ...	42	74
Sukkur-Larkana ...	16	21
Thar and Parkar ...	14	11

25. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1906 and 1907:—

	1906.	1907.
Money and moveable property ...	17,830	15,921
Mortgage ...	1,535	1,311
Immoveable property ...	693	807

26. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,06,26,704-13-8 as compared with Rs. 80,45,880 in 1906.

27. The total number of suits disposed of in the Civil Courts in Sind was 25,245 as against 27,282 in the preceding year.

28. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1907 as compared with the year 1906 :—

Manner of disposal	1906.	1907.
Without trial ...	7,283	7,695
Compromised ...	5,043	5,590
Decreed on confession	2,051	2,419
Decreed <i>ex parte</i> ...	1,064	2,181
Dismissed <i>ex parte</i> ..	241	236
By Arbitration ..	2,713	5,525
Contested ...	5,915	4,100

29. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 4,143, out of which 1,982 were pending for more than 3 months.

30. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts was 133 and 140 respectively in the year under report as against 218 and 245 respectively in 1906.

31. The number of miscellaneous judicial cases for disposal before the courts was 1,957 as against 1,999 in 1906. The number disposed of was 1,722 as against 1,732 in 1906.

32. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts was 651 as against 522 in 1906. Of these 409 were disposed of as compared with 278 in 1906.

33. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of in each District Court in the Province during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

	1906.	1907.
Karachi ...	14	6
Hyderabad ...	107	88
Sukkur-Larkana ...	165	312
Thar and Parkar ...	12	5

34. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts was 199.56 and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind 357.06 as against 176.14 and 410.39 respectively in the year 1906.

35. There were in all 21,948 applications for execution before the Civil Courts as against 25,157, in 1906. Of these 19,013 were disposed of as against 21,937 in 1906.

36. The amount realized in execution of decrees was Rs. 4,19,360-2-0 as compared with Rs. 3,94,456-0-0.

37. Moveable property was sold in 200 cases as against 313 in 1906 and attached but subsequently released in 241 as against 347 in 1906.

38. The following table shows the Civil work (apart from the inspection of Civil Courts) disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1906 and the arrears awaiting disposal.—

Description of work	Arrears on 31st December 1905	1906.		Arrears on 1st December 1906	1907		Arrears on 1st December 1907
		Filed	Disposed of		Filed	Disposed of	
<i>Appeals.</i>							
First Appeals ...	34	58	35	59	27	62	24
Second Appeals ...	48	56	40	61	69	86	47
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	10	23	27	12	17	20	9
<i>Applications.</i>							
Section 25, Civil Procedure Code ..	...	...	...	...	5	7	1
Do 592 do ...	1	...	1	...	2	2	...
Do. 622 do. ...	18	25	33	10	21	23	8
Do. 623 do. ...	2	9	7	4	6	7	3
Sections 600 and 568, Civil Procedure Code ...	...	1	1	...	2	1	1
Section 25, Small Cause Court Act ...	14	22	23	13	25	32	6
Under Act X of 1865 ...	1	3	3	1	5	6	...

39. The system of supplying copies of documents through the medium of the Value Payable Post though introduced so far back as 1896 is not yet availed of in Sind to any appreciable extent. The progress of the system will continue to be noticed in future reports.

40. The general effect of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act in Sind has been much the same as in the Dekkan and Khāndesh. The damage to the credit of the agriculturist and the disturbance of the relations of debtors and creditors are threadbare topics on which it would be futile to offer remarks. There is, however, one special feature in connection with the working of the Act which deserves notice. The small number of the Subordinate Courts in Sind has popularized a system of arbitration. This system affords the money-lending classes a means of evading the Act, for private awards are filed as a matter of course unless objected to, (Mohan versus Tukaram, Indian Law Reports, 21 Bombay 63). This might be counteracted by an amendment of the Act making all awards subject to the same scrutiny as is provided for conciliation awards by section 44.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. M. PRATT,

Acting Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1.
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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers on the last day of the year 1907,

Name of Presidency	Area in Square Miles.	Population.	Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Courts of Districts	Number of Districts.	Number of Sub-Districts	TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS EXERCISING ORIGINAL OR APPELLATE JURISDICTION					
						Judges of Chief Court or Province.	Judges of the Courts superior to Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Presidency of Bombay.	Territory subject to the High Court. Civil ...	77,275	15,311,832	...	15	101	(a) 8	...	(c) 17	(e) 39	(g) 91
	Territory not subject to the High Court. Civil ...	47,739	3,212,508	...	3	10	(b) 3	...	(d) 3	(f) 6	15
	Total ...	125,004	18,524,340	...	18	111	11	...	20	45	106*

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Total."—The entries to be made here will show the area and population of the entire Presidency, total work done by them, with the financial results.

Columns 16 and 17.—The Judicial receipts and charges should be shown as a whole, just as they appear in the Treasury

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate

Designation.				Europeans.
Chief Justice and High Court Judges	...	...	...	6
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners of Sind.	...	...	...	3
District Judges	...	...	...	12
Joint Judges	...	...	...	1
Assistant Judges	...	...	...	6
Small Cause Court Judges	...	...	...	3
Subordinate Judges, First Class	...	...	...	...
Do. Second Class	...	...	...	...

Note.—The figures contained in columns 16 and 17 relate to the receipts and charges

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 15th September 1908.*

No. 1—(CIVIL).

exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay with the Cost of Tribunals.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES DECIDED.				Total receipts of the Courts.	Total charges of the Courts.	REMARKS.
Original.		Appellate.				
Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
				R. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
104,580	153,250	5,087	394	32,00,397 0 0	45,03,014 0 0	(a) Includes the Chief Justice and the Additional High Court Judge. (b) Includes the two Additional Judicial Commissioners of Sind. (c) Includes 2 Joint Judges. The District Judge of Poona is also <i>ex-officio</i> Agent for the Sardars in the Deccan. (d) Includes 1 Joint Judge. (e) Includes 15 First Class Subordinate Judges, 2 Additional First Class Subordinate Judges, 7 Assistant Judges, 8 Small Cause Court Judges, 4 Registrars and 3 Cantonment Magistrates exercising Civil powers, but does not include 2 Inspecting First Class Subordinate Judges who do not exercise Appellate or Original Jurisdiction.
25,245	20,757	557	35	4,48,726 0 0	8,66,664 0 0	(f) Includes 2 First Class Subordinate Judges, 1 Assistant Judge, 1 Small Cause Court Judge, 1 Registrar and 1 Cantonment Magistrate exercising Civil Powers. (g) 2 Inspecting Second Class Subordinate Judges who do not exercise Appellate or Original Jurisdiction are not included. (h) Includes all applications for execution of decrees and applications under Chapter XX, Civil Procedure Code.
129,825	(h) 174,047	5,644	429	36,49,123 0 0	53,69,678 0 0	* Besides these, there were 7 Inamdar exercising Civil powers.

the average number of Districts and Sub Districts for Civil purposes, the actual number of persons exercising jurisdiction, at 1 r. accounts, care being taken that the charges on account of buildings are included in column 17.

Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Natives, in the Presidency of Bombay including Sind.

Natives.	Total.
1	
...	
1	
2	
2	
6	
10	
106	

respectively of the Civil, Criminal and Revenue Courts combined in one total.

N. D. GHARDA,
Acting Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Ori-

Name of Presidency	Area in square miles.	Population	Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Courts of Districts	Number of Districts.	Number of Sub-Districts	TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS EXERCISING ORIGINAL OR APPELLATE JURISDICTION.					
						Judges of Chief Court of Province	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of Districts	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts	Judges of other Sub-ordinate Courts	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Presidency of Bombay.	Territory subject to the High Court. Criminal	(a)	(c)	...	20	200	(e) 8	...	(g) 41	(i) 65	(k) 40
	Territory not subject to the High Court. Criminal	(b)	(d)	...	6	57	(f) 3	..	(h) 8	(j) 17	(l) 149
	Total ...	...	.....	...	26	257	11		49	82	*557

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Total."—The entries to be made here will show the area and population of the entire Presidency the total work done by them, with the financial results.

Columns 16 and 17.—The Judicial receipts and charges should be shown as a whole, just as they appear in the Treasury

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate

Designation	Europeans
Chief Justice and High Court Judges ...	6
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners in Sind.	3
Sessions Judges ...	12
Additional Sessions Judges ...	3
Assistant Sessions Judges ...	6
Magistrates, First Class*	91
„ Second Class*1	9
„ Third Class*	10
Police Patels	...

Notes.—The figures contained in columns 16 and 17 relate to the receipts and charges respectively

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 15th September 1908.

No. 1—(CRIMINAL).

ginal Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay on the last day of the year 1907, with the Cost of Tribunals.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES DECIDED.				Total receipts of the Courts	Total charges of the Courts.	REMARKS.
Original.		Appeals.				
Regular.	Mis- cellaneous.	Regular.	Mis- cellaneous			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
125,187	1,921	2,800	884	Rs. a. p. 32,00,397 0 0	Rs. a. p. 45,03,014 0 0	a) to (d). See columns 2 and 3 of Statement No. I (Civil). (e) and (f). See column 7 of Statement No. I (Civil). (g) and (h). These are District Magistrates, Presidency Magistrates, Sessions Judges and Additional Sessions Judges. (i) and (j). These are Assistant Collectors, and District Deputy Collectors exercising Magisterial powers and Assistant Sessions Judges. (k) and (l). These are all stipendiary 1st, 2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates other than those shown in columns 9 and 10. * Besides these, there were 89 Special and 117 Honorary Magistrates, 14,899 Police Patels and 171 Sanitary Boards and Sanitary Committees. † These are all cases of Revision under the Code of Criminal Procedure
20,119	1,508	2,155	605	4,48,726 0 0	8,66,664 0 0	
1,45,306	3,429	4,955	† 1,489	36,49,123 0 0	53,69,678 0 0	

the average number of Districts and Sub-Districts for Criminal purposes, the actual number of persons exercising jurisdiction, and accounts, care being taken that the charges on account of buildings are included in column 17.

Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Natives, in the Presidency of Bombay, including Sind.

Natives	Remarks
2	
...	
2	
3	
230	* These include 23 District Magistrates, 4 Presidency Magistrates, 42 Assistant Collectors and 31 District Deputy Collectors, exercising Magisterial Powers, 89 Special Magistrates and 147 Honorary Magistrates.
267	
286	
14,599	

of the Civil, Criminal and Revenue Courts contained in one total.

N. D. GHARDA,
Acting Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of Offences reported and of Persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS.				
				Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Remain- ing under trial.	Died.	Escap- ed.	Trans- ferred.	Dis- missed under S. 203.	Fined under S. 250.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
Offences against the State—Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code...	1	1	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to the Army and Navy VII	4	4	4	17	16	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the public tranquillity VIII	1,343	1,085	1,048	7,778	4,982	1,753	20	1,023	5	15	...	195	32
Attempts at do.	3	3	3	16	10	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences by or relating to public servants IX	102	94	88	195	120	59	2	14	1	1	...	5	...
Attempts at do. ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants X	591	564	570	832	415	371	...	66	...	...	...	25	2
Attempts at do. ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice XI	844	769	754	*1,125	474	514	14	113	2	12	...	77	3
Attempts at do.	3	3	2	6	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to coins XII	36	36	37	69	40	26	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to Govern- ment Stamps XII	15	15	16	19	7	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at offences relating to coins	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to weights and measures XIII	106	102	102	107	42	58	...	7	...	...	...	2	1
Attempts at do. ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals XIV	1,003	989	992	1,221	395	871	1	14	1	...	...	10	4
Attempts at do.	3	3	3	8	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to religion XV	41	32	33	117	100	12	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting life ...	475	442	544	914	498	332	13	131	7	6	...	26	2
Attempts at do. ...	42	40	52	81	37	32	1	11	1	...	...	2	...
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants, and the concealment of births ...	81	70	82	101	43	50	1	7	...	1	...	8	1
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hurt	22,960	20,376	20,596	53,116	47,925	3,241	28	1,922	5	23	...	2,289	213
Attempts at do. ...	8	8	7	12	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI.													
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	765	624	619	1,547	1,311	130	9	67	3	6	...	129	16
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal force and assault	5,859	5,373	5,365	11,155	9,444	1,464	10	237	1	9	...	533	51
Attempts at do. ...	13	12	10	24	10	5	...	9	...	...	...	1	...
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour	171	161	165	403	276	101	5	81	...	5	...	107	8
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	2	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rape	79	61	66	178	78	26	5	9	1	4	...	18	1
Attempts at do. ...	5	5	5	7	2	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Unnatural offence	22	18	21	25	8	15	...	2	...	...	...	1	3
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* 10 on Dormant file.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—continued.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS.					
				Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.	Dismissed under S. 203.	Fined under S. 250.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
Offences against property, Chapter XVII.	Theft	11,676	10,100	9,375	13,822	4,216	8,937	53	616	7	38	*7	868	269
	Attempts at do. ...	39	39	40	51	10	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Extortion	115	79	85	179	148	23	...	8	...	...	...	52	5
	Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Robbery and dacoity ...	564	374	396	1,180	715	332	9	124	3	5	1	129	14
	Attempts at do. ...	15	25	18	75	71	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal misappropriation of property ...	722	506	509	904	637	199	4	64	1	3	...	223	23
	Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal breach of trust. Attempts at do. ...	1,690	1,174	1,177	1,468	821	516	17	84	5	11	1	487	21
	Receiving of stolen property	966	926	917	1,318	527	721	14	86	2	11	1	23	16
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	2	2	...	265	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII of the Indian Penal Code	Cheating	892	635	613	879	540	2	8	66	...	4	4	285	15
	Attempts at do. ...	12	12	12	19	5	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property. Attempts at do. ...	43	31	32	92	80	12	...	...	...	...	...	10	...
	Mischief	3,590	3,209	3,161	8,460	7,450	694	17	299	3	14	...	424	23
	Attempts at do. ...	2	2	3	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal trespass	3,286	2,921	2,763	5,796	4,087	1,342	18	349	9	8	1	281	77
	Attempts at do. ...	40	38	33	47	17	25	1	4	...	1	...	2	1
	Attempts at do. ...	116	95	109	198	132	48	1	22	...	1	...	27	...
	Criminal breach of contracts of service	13	10	10	21	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
	Offences relating to marriage... ..	1,652	1,180	1,176	3,215	2,628	187	23	427	...	23	...	522	10
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	2	9	7	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Special and Local Laws:—	Defamation	415	337	337	703	598	55	16	34	3	13	...	116	1
	Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance	7,469	6,476	6,465	13,653	12,579	650	15	409	5	10	...	1,067	60
	Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Apprentices Act XIX of 1850 ... (India)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Arms Act XI of 1878	262	260	259	292	67	212	1	12	1	...	...	1	...
	Army Act I of 1881	2	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Breaches of Contract Act XIII of 1859	1,649	1,471	1,477	1,945	1,216	453	55	221	49	6	...	190	1
	Cantonment Act XIII of 1859	745	735	734	1,125	170	949	...	6	...	...	...	4	...
	Cantonment Rules of 1899	1,311	1,311	1,311	1,314	323	1,239	2	1	...	2	...	...	...

* 1 not extradited.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—continued.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS.				
				Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.	Dismissed under Section 203.	Fined under Section 250.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
Cattle Trespass Act I of 1871 ... (India)	1,805	1,710	1,529	4,571	3,841	628	8	94	8	...	...	105	19
Civil Procedure Code Act XIV of 1882. "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coasting Vessels (Bombay) Act XIX of 1888 ... " "	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Court Fees Act VII of 1870 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal Procedure Code Act V of 1898 ... " "	2,087	2,026	1,957	*5,771	1,004	4,081	12	669	5	7	...	...	...
Criminal Tribes Act XXVII of 1891... "	65	65	73	75	14	47	9	5	2	...	7	...	...
Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act XVII of 1879... " "	67	65	65	77	63	12	...	2	...	...	...	...	1
Distress Act I of 1875 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874... "	216	209	203	†203	11	191	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Factories Act XV of 1881 ... " "	17	17	17	17	7	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Foreigners' Act III of 1864 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Forest Act VII of 1878 ... " "	2,129	2,099	2,229	5,141	1,400	8,562	11	168	9	2	...	16	...
Frontier Regulation No. III of 1892... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indian Companies Act VI of 1882 ... "	3	3	3	14	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Indian Explosive Act IV of 1884 ... "	26	24	25	42	16	19	...	7	...	...	...	...	...
Indian Emigration Act X of 1892 ... "	4	4	4	4	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indian Official Secrets Act XV of 1889 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indian Steamship Act VII of 1884 ... "	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Land Customs (Bombay) Act XXIX of 1857 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lunatic Asylum Act XXXVI of 1858. "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Merchants Seamen Act I of 1859 ... "	11	11	11	56	2	54	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Merchants Shipping Act VII of 1880. "	60	66	53	60	19	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mutiny Act (as amended by Act VII of 1867) ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murder of Female Infants Act VIII of 1870 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Native Passenger Ships Act X of 1887. "	3	3	3	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Opium Act I of 1878 ... " "	144	142	140	153	21	127	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
Petroleum Act XII of 1886 ... " "	4	4	4	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Police (Presidency Towns) Acts XIII of 1866 and XLVIII of 1860 ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Police Act V of 1861 ... " "	18	18	18	18	1	17	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Ports Act X of 1889 ... " "	162	160	158	160	31	129	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Post Office Act XIV of 1866 ... "	10	10	11	12	4	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency Small Cause Courts Act XV of 1882 ... " "	3	3	3	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act XI of 1890 ... " "	8,780	8,736	8,703	8,774	163	8,597	1	13	1	...	...	24	...
Printing Press Act XIV of 1867 ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Printing Press and Newspapers Act XIV of 1867 as amended by Act of 1890 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act IX of 1894 ... " "	32	32	32	33	7	24	1	1	1	...	...	2	3
Public Health Act IX of 1890 ... " "	854	833	500	871	109	852	...	10	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act III of 1877 ... " "	13	13	13	20	8	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act II of 1882 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act VIII of 1878 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act XVI of 1861 ... " "	23	23	23	23	1	21	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act of 1899 ... " "	24	24	24	25	2	21	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act XIII of 1885 ... " "	4	4	3	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act XVI of 1867 as amended by Act of 1890 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act VI of 1878 ... " "	36	11	11	12	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Protection Act XX of 1885 ... " "	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act of 1899 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act of 1897 ... " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act of 1898 ... (Bombay)	1,697	1,682	1,678	1,932	217	1,606	3	46	1	2	...	4	...
Public Health Act II of 1891 ... " "	2	2	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Health Act IV of 1877 ... " "	34,204	34,126	32,674	35,373	673	34,694	2	4	...	...	2	1	...
Public Health Act VII of 1867 and ... " "	8,474	8,395	8,601	9,521	1,315	7,970	60	176	21	39	...	57	...

* on Dormant File.

† Q handed over to Military Authorities.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—concluded.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS.				
				Under trial during the year including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.	Dismissed under Section 203.	Fined under Section 250.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
Christian Marriage Act XV of 1872 (Bombay)	1	1	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frontier (Sind) Regulation II of 1892	20	29	29	151	38	108	4	1	...	4	...	...	...
Gambling Act IV of 1887 as amended by Act I of 1890	440	438	434	1,559	275	1,273	...	11	...	...	...	...	...
Irrigation Act VII of 1879	143	136	132	274	101	101	3	69	3	...	...	7	...
Jail Acts II of 1874 and IX of 1894	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Land Revenue Code Act V of 1879...	21	21	21	57	26	16	...	15	...	...	...	...	...
Markets and Fairs Act IV of 1862...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motor Vehicles Act II of 1904	35	35	32	33	4	29	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Municipal (District) Act III of 1901.	10,798	10,697	12,424	13,847	1,975	9,261	395	2,216	73	322	...	17	1
Municipal (Bombay) Act III of 1888.	5,038	4,783	3,565	3,573	947	2,603	23	...	23	...	...	1	...
Municipal Servants Act III of 1901.	15	15	9	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Police Regulation XII of 1827	63	63	49	151	5	119	2	25	2	...	...	...	...
Pilgrims' Act XIV of 1895...	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port Trust Acts VI of 1879 and VI of 1883	18	18	18	18	5	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Prevention of Adulteration Act II of 1899	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Conveyance Act VI of 1863.	6,208	6,182	6,081	6,237	434	5,784	...	19	...	...	...	19	...
Public Ferries Act II of 1868 as amended by Act II of 1878	17	17	17	30	23	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Reformatory Schools Act VIII of 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Registration of Boats Act I of 1863.	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sales of Poisons Act VIII of 1866	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salt Act II of 1890	412	401	401	464	58	365	...	41	...	...	...	11	...
Sanitary Board Act I of 1889	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tolls Act III of 1875	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tramways Act I of 1874	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tramways (Karachi) Act II of 1883.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vaccination (Karachi) Act IV of 1879	52	52	50	50	14	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vaccination Act I of 1877	100	99	99	124	74	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vessels plying on the Indus Act I of 1863	2	2	2	5	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Village Police Act VIII of 1867	1,672	1,671	1,670	2,359	1,137	1,202	2	18	2	...	...	...	...
Village Sanitation Act I of 1889	96	96	96	100	21	78	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
44 and 45 Vic. Chap. 58 Statute	11	11	11	11*	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...
57 and 58 Vic. Chap. 60 Statute	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Notified Area...	2	2	2	82	70	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay Act IV of 1870	1	1	1	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Regulation V of 1872	8	8	8	131	21	110	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	157,996	148,146	146,641	238,566†	117,382	110,079	901	10,179	266	603	26‡	8,420	898

* 9 handed over to Military Authorities.

† 10 handed over to Military Authorities, 15 on dormant file.
‡ These offences were all in the Thana District.

§ 1 not extradited.

NOTES.—Column 1.—(1) "Attempts" should be entered immediately after the offences to which they relate.

(2) "Abetments" should be included with the substantive offences abetted.

(3) When giving the list of Special and Local Laws against which offences have been committed, care should be taken to specify the title of each Act quoted, as well as its number and year. An Act of a local legislature should be distinguished by initial letters placed after the number of the Act.

Column 2.—All offences (cases) of which information was given, complaint made, or cognizance taken under Chapters IV, V, XIV, XVI, Cr. P. C., for the first time during the year are to be shown, although some of the charges may not have been prosecuted, or may have turned out to be false.

Column 3.—This column should be the total of column 2 less the number of cases dismissed under section 203, Cr. P. C., and less all other cases in which a Magistrate declared that the charge was false, and that the offence never occurred, or which were dismissed as frivolous and vexatious and in which the complaint was fined under section 250, Cr. P. C.

Column 4.—This column should be the total of columns 2 to 3.

Column 5.—Persons transferred from one Court to another in the same Province are not to be entered in this column.

Column 6.—A note should be added in the column of remarks, showing respectively the number of persons who died, escaped or were transferred.

General.—Cases committed or referred should not be included in this statement by the committing or referring Magistrates. The results of the trials in these cases should be shown by the Courts to which the cases are committed or referred. If the total of column 13 of Statement No. 4 be deducted from the total of column 2 of that Statement, the difference should correspond with the total of column 5 of this statement.

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*Statement to be added as foot-note to Annual Judicial Statement No. 2 (Criminal),
as directed by Government in their letter No. 3464, dated 8th July 1901.*

Discharged.									Acquitted.		
Section 119.	Section 209.	Section 213.	Section 253.	Section 259.	Section 488.	Section 494.	Section 495.	Special and Local Laws.	Section 118.	Section 204.	Section 209.
848	929	10	20,471	3,488	1	96	...	106	31	8	...

Acquitted—continued.

Section 213.	Section 245.	Section 247.	Section 248.	Section 249.	Section 253.	Section 254.	Section 258.	Section 259.	Section 259.
...	8,765	3,329	10,870	2	1,540	1	3,892	765	19

Acquitted—continued.

Section 305.	Section 306.	Section 307.	Section 308.	Section 309.	Section 319.	Section 333.	Section 345.	Section 376.	Section 403.
7	123	15	...	544	12	2	60,470	13	2

Acquitted—continued.

Section 423.	Section 470.	Section 488.	Section 494.	Section 495.	Section 83, I. P. Code.	Special and Local Laws.	Total.	Remarks.
...	24	11	58	62	5	758	117,277	The difference of 105 between this and column 8 of Statement No. 2 is due to Larkhāna giving no details.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of European British subjects in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

Description of Offence.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF												OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS SHOWN IN									
	By District Magistrates and other First Class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court.		Total for all Courts.			Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 to 10.		Columns 11 to 12.		
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committed		Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 419 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (2) of the Code.	Number who claimed a special number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 460 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being Europeans, British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being Europeans, British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
			To Courts of Session.	To High Court.																		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences against the public tranquillity, Chapter VIII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X, Indian Penal Code	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to Coin and Government Stamps, Chapter XII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV, Indian Penal Code	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI.	Offences affecting life	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	..
	Attempt at life	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..
	Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	16	4	21	..	..	..	..	..	13	12	..	..
	Hurt	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
	Criminal force and assault.	24	45	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	45	2	67	..	..	..	..	..	24	45	..	..
	Attempts at do.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
	Rape	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Attempts at rape	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unnatural offence	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences against property, Chapter XVII.	Theft	22	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	3	2	23	..	..	..	..	..	7	18	..	..
	Extortion	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Robbery and dacoity	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Criminal misappropriation of property	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Criminal breach of trust	4	2	1	..	..	1	1	..	5	2	..	7	..	..	1	1	..	3	3	11	..
	Receiving of stolen property	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..
	Cheating	5	2	1	1	..	1	1	..	6	2	2	7	..	..	1	1	..	6	1	11	..
	Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Mischief	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..
	Criminal trespass	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..
Attempt at Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII, Indian Penal Code	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Defamation, Chapter XXI	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	9	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII	18	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	16	5	29	..	..	..	..	20	14	..	..
Offences under Special and Local laws	324	47	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	324	47	29	342	..	..	..	..	130	241	..	..
Total	423	151	3	1	..	..	3	3	..	425	151	47	530	..	..	3	3	..	231	342	13	..

† One remained under trial at the end of the year.

* Out of these, 48 cases are from Sind.

† The cases of 3 European British subjects disposed of by the High Court are shown in column 23.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1907.

Nature of Proceedings.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year.	Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged.	Number of persons convicted.	REMARKS.				
1	2	3	4	5	6				
					Pending	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred	
1.—Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI C and section 485.	14	29	...	29	...	...	...	...	...
2.—Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace.	246	604	254	290	60	...	...	...	...
3.—Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour.	1,803	4,823	752	3,707	348	4	7	...	5 on dormant file.
4.—Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X.	14	46	14	32	...	...	...	...	...
5.—Possession, Chapter XII...	42	136	79	55	2	...	...	...	...
6.—Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, section 250.	518	561	31	530	...	...	...	...	...
7.—Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, section 332.	12	13	3	10	...	...	...	...	...
8.—Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	503	511	388	112	10	...	...	...	1 dismissed without trial
9.—Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII.	234	279	80	198	1	...	...	...	...
10.—Proceedings under Chapter XLVI, section 562.	43	72	35	37	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	3,429	7,074	1,636	5,000	421	4	7	...	5 on dormant file, 1 dismissed without trial.

NOTES.—Column 1, Sub-head 6.—Complainants fined under section 250 are not to be entered as convicted in Statements 2, 4 or 5, but the act of the fines having been imposed may be noted in the column of remarks of Statement 2 against the complaints preferred by them.

Column 1, Sub-heads 2 and 3.—Cases under sections 107, 109, 110, 118, 120 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code, will also appear under the appropriate head of the Schedule in Statement 2. Persons convicted under these heads and required to give security or recognizance under sections 120 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code, will also appear in Statement 5.

Column 1, Sub-heads 4, 5 and 8.—Cases under these sub-heads will not appear in Statements 2, 4 or 5. Jury cases, Chapter X, will, however, appear in Statement 13.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1.

JUDICIAL STATEMENTS

Statement showing the General Result of Criminal Trials in the Tribunals

Class of Courts.	Total number of persons under trial.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE					
		Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	Discharged or acquitted.	CON			
				On regular trial.			
				Sentence passed.	Released on probation, Section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under Section 31, Act VIII of 1897.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.
Village Officers	(a) 2,325	2	1,079	292	3	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under Section 14.	* 31,807	89	13,500	3,272	106	...	...
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	4,482	...	2,126	591	2	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	† 1,52,537	† 777	96,603	33,523	137	...	5
Benches of Magistrates	46,456	19	3,012	954	...	...	...
Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards.	97	...	21	61	...	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under Sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	139	...	21	114	1	...	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	247	4	64	155	1	...	...
Courts of Session	1,926	8	912	778	16	1	...
Superior Courts	236	2	58	151	...	...	...
Total	*† 2,40,252	† 301	1,17,398	39,891	266	1	5

* 10 handed over to Military authorities ;

NOTES.—Column 1—Sub-head "Courts of Session" includes cases decided by Sessions Judges on reference under Sections 31, Column 1—Sub-head "Superior Courts" includes cases decided by the High Court on reference under Sections 307 and 374, Column 2—That is the total of the entries in Columns 3 to 14. The cases of persons transferred from one Court to Column 3—A note against the figure for each Court should be made in the column of remarks, showing separately how many Column 5 to 12—Persons, whose cases were referred to a Superior Court for higher punishment or for confirmation of the reference they will be shown as convicted or acquitted according to the orders passed by it or as pending if orders Column 13—These cases will also be shown against the Magistrates who made the reference, entry being made as directed Column 14—An insane accused, who has been sent to a Lunatic Asylum, should be kept on the file and entered in this column Column 15—Omit cases in which the accused died, escaped or was transferred.

Column 16—In calculating the duration before the Magistrates' Courts the starting point to be taken is not the date of commitment. Cases in which the actual number of days occupied should be given commencing from the date of commitment. Cases in which the accused General—The figures in this Statement should agree with those in Statement No. 2, and should include nothing else.

(a) The figures 88, 16 22, 32 and 63 in cols 2, 4, 5, 15 and 17 respectively against the Sub-heading "Village Officers" not agree with those in Statement No. II.

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No. 4—(CRIMINAL).

of various Classes in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

DISPOSED OF.					Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.	Number of cases disposed of during the year.	Average number of days during which each case lasted	Number of witnesses examined.	REMARKS.		
VICTED.				Committed or referred.					Died	Escaped.	Transferred.
On summary trial.											
Sentence passed.	Released on probation, Section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under Section 31, Act VIII of 1897.									
		Discharged after admonition	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.								
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17			
981	...	...	...	...	18	1,624	1.93	2,729	2	...	...
13,504	201	40	...	99	986	23,128	4.23	55,775	37	20	26
528	...	...	...	8	1,225	2,284	1.38	3,851	..	.	...
12,285	92	8	1	1,469	7,622	74,914	7.40	185,336	216	560	
42,130	...	199	...	...	142	41,987	1.10	49,401	3	16	...
14	...	...	...	...	1	93	1.0	97		...	...
...	...	...	...	2	1	35	7.08	177	...	...	.
5	...	...	...	1	17	55	17.63	554	...	4	..
...	...	...	...	64	147	1,054	32.55	7,776	5	...	...
...	...	...	...	5	20	132	162.03	776	...	2	..
69,397	293	247	1	1,648	10,179	143,306	5.24	306,472	266	608	26

† 15 on dormant file; ‡ 1 not extradited.

34 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code.
Criminal Procedure Code.

another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided or in which pending at the end of the year, if not decided. accused persons were transferred to other Provinces.

sentence, will be entered in Column 13, and not in Columns 5 to 12 against the Court making the reference. Against the Court receiving have not been passed.

above.

until he has been tried and either convicted or acquitted.

plaint or information, but that of apprehension or attendance on summons or otherwise of the accused. As regards Courts of Session, the has absconded before arrest or has escaped from custody should be taken off the file till the persons implicate appear again.

are included in this Statement, but not in Statement No. II by the District Magistrate of Sátara. Hence the figures in this Statement do

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the Punishment inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals

Class of Tribunal.	PERSONS SENTENCED TO									Persons ordered to fine or give security or recognizance to keep the peace or fines for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.					
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal Servitude.	Imprisonment		Forfeiture of property.	Fine.	Whipping.	Rs. 10 and under.			Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.	Rs. 1,000 and under.	
				Rigorous.	Simple.											
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
Magistrate Courts ...	...	...	...	2	207	...	1,042	...	...	..	1,042	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—																
Special Magistrates under Section 14 ... ..	...	...	...	2,794	910	...	12,705	706	445	79	11,326	1,176	125	73	3
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly ... ..	...	...	...	46	4	...	1,020	...	9	9	991	23	3	..	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly .. ...	...	...	...	8,662	895	...	33,268	652	4,019	1,554	28,557	4,111	451	110	9
Judges of Magistrates ... ..	...	...	...	726	319	...	37,880	81	113	...	37,655	223	2	...	...
Military Boards and Sanitary Committees ... ..	...	...	...		1	..	74	...	...	...	74	..	...	...	..
District and Divisional Magistrates—																
Cases referred under Sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code. ... ..	...	...	...	80	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts .. ...	...	...	...	76	7	...	59	3	77	10	9	14	5	23	...
Courts of Session... ..	22	118	...	602	25	...	89	17	77	63	11	30	10	33	3	
Superior Courts	33	15	1	51	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	..	...	1	...
Total	55	133	1	13,039	2,370	.	86,138	1,509	4,772	1,715	79,698	5,577	596	247	15	

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts of Sessions" includes cases decided by Sessions Judges on reference under Section 123, Column 1.—Sub-head "Superior Courts" includes cases decided by the High Court on reference under Sections 307 and Column 19.—Includes fines realized during the year though imposed in previous years. This column is intended to show the Column 20.—Represents compensation awarded to complainants under Section 545, Act X of 1882. These awards should General (1).—The total of columns 5, 6 and 11 should correspond with the total of columns 21 to 25 (both inclusive) and the (2).—This statement is meant to exhibit every sentence passed, and where two penalties are inflicted on the same convicted in Statement No. 4, it is necessary to note cases such as those in which fulfilment of contract is tion 562, Code of Criminal Procedure, or for confirmation of sentence, the punishment, if any, sanctioned by

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No. 5—(CRIMINAL).

in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

DETAIL OF PUNISHMENT.												Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.	REMARKS.
Fine.				Imprisonment.					Whipped.				
Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of fines realised during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	15 days and under.	6 months and under.	2 years and under.	7 years and under.	Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Rs.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.										
...	772 5 0	765 8 0	.....	209	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	90,999 12 11	70,230 5 10	7,053 2 5	1,742	1,060	381	...	...	502	187	17	78	
...	2,525 2 6	2,503 5 0	65 4 6	14	38	7	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	2,53,544 6 10	2,17,425 2 13	20,129 14 0	2,603	5,974	2,485	49	...	275	282	25	10	
...	50,190 15 0	45,759 13 0	979 13 0	911	130	4	.	...	81	...	...	1	
...	35 6 0	34 5 0	2 8 0	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	....	.....	.....	...	11	66	3	...	13	6	...	...
*3	*2,193 8 0	555 11 0	137 0 0	2	28	32	23	8	1	2	...	4	
2	18,010 0 0	7,403 6 5	2,578 12 2	14	141	203	307	25	1	9	7	2	
...	300 0 0	.....	.....	...	3	14	34	2	...	1	...	...
5	4,18,571 8 3	3,44,677 9 4	31,546 6 1	5,496	7,985	3,192	416	35	973	187	49	95	

Only the District Magistrates of Kara and Belgau have given the number of cases in which two penalties were inflicted, namely, 234 and 59, respectively. None of the Magistrates have noted the cases in which fulfilment of contract was ordered under Act XIII of 1859. Hence the figures in this statement cannot be reconciled with those in Statement No. IV (*vide* foot-note (2)).

* In the statement for Sind against the sub-head Chief Magistrates of Districts, figures 3 and 1,685 have been given in cols. 17 and 18, respectively.

Criminal Procedure Code.

374, Criminal Procedure Code.

realized portion of fines imposed by officers in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction only.

also be shown under the head fines "imposed" and "realized" in columns 18 and 19, for they form part of such fines.

total of column 8 should correspond with the total of columns 12 to 17 inclusive.

offender to exhibit them both. Further to reconcile the number of persons entered in this statement as punished with the number entered as ordered under Act XIII of 1859 in a foot-note. As regards persons whose cases were referred for higher punishment for orders under Sec- the higher Court should be entered against such higher Court, and not against the Court making the reference.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. V-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART I.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1907.

Showing Whippings inflicted under Sections 2 and 3, Act VI of 1864, in lieu of other punishments.

Offences for which awarded.				NUMBER OF PERSONS AWARDED			Total.	REMARKS.
				5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1				2	3	4	5	6
<i>In lieu of other punishments (Sections 2 and 3, Act VI of 1864.)</i>								
	{ Section 378, Indian Penal Code...			298	96	5	399	
1. Theft, as defined in	"	379	" ...	4	6	...	10	
	"	380	" ...	295	135	5	435	
	"	381	" ...	88	27	1	111	
	"	382	" ...	20	4	1	25	
2. Extortion, as defined in	"	388	" ...	...	...	...	...
	"	389	" ...	...	...	...	...
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in	"	411	" ...	9	5	...	14	
	"	412	" ...	1	...	...	1	
	"	414	" ...	1	...	...	1	
4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443, Indian Penal Code.				...	1	...	1	
5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444, Indian Penal Code.				...	1	...	1	
6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445, Indian Penal Code.				3	3	1	7	
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446, Indian Penal Code.				3	7	...	10	
8. Offences under Section 52, Act IX of 1894 Indian Railways Act				...	...	...	...
			...	1	...	2	3	
On 1st conviction				686	248	11	945	
On re-conviction				32	37	4	73	
Total				718	285	15	1,018	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. V-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART II.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1907.

Showing Whippings inflicted in addition to other punishments, Sections 3 and 4, Act VI of 1864.

Offences for which awarded.	NUMBER OF PERSONS AWARDED.			Total.	REMARKS.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
IN ADDITION TO OTHER PUNISHMENTS. (SECTIONS 3 AND 4.)					
A—Section 3.					
1.—Theft as defined in ...	Section 378, Indian Penal Code...	13	45	10	68
	" 379 "	2	1	...	3
	" 380 "	10	54	12	76
	" 381 "	...	2	1	3
	" 382 "	...	...	...	...
2.—Extortion ditto ...	" 388 "	...	...	1	1
	" 389 "	...	...	...	...
3.—Dishonestly receiving stolen property as defined in ...	" 411 "	...	2	...	2
	" 412 "	...	...	...	...
4.—Lurking house-trespass as defined in ...	" 443 "	...	...	...	...
5.—Lurking house-trespass by night as defined in ...	" 444 "	...	...	...	...
6.—House-breaking as defined in ...	" 445 "	...	...	1	1
7.—House-breaking by night as defined in ...	" 446 "	...	2	...	2
8.—Offences under Section 52, Act IX of 1894	...	...	...	...	...
B—Section 4.					
1.—False evidence as defined in ...	Section 193, Indian Penal Code...	...	...	...	...
	" 194 "	...	...	...	...
	" 195 "	...	...	...	...
2.—False charge of unnatural offence as defined in ...	" 211 "	...	...	...	...
	" 377 "	...	...	...	...
3.—Assault as defined in ...	" 354 "	...	...	...	...
4.—Rape ditto ...	" 375 "	...	...	...	...
5.—Unnatural offence as defined in ...	" 377 "	...	3	...	3
6.—Robbery ditto ...	" 390 "	...	...	...	...
7.—Dacoity ditto ...	" 391 "	...	2	...	2
8.—Attempt at robbery as defined in ...	" 393 "	...	...	...	...
9.—Hurt in committing robbery as defined in ...	" 394 "	...	...	...	...
10.—Receiving stolen property as defined in ...	" 413 "	...	...	...	...
	" 463 "	...	...	...	...
11.—Forgery as defined in ...	" 466 "	...	...	...	...
	" 467 "	...	...	...	...
	" 468 "	...	...	...	...
	" 469 "	...	...	...	...
12.—Lurking house-trespass as defined in ...	" 443 "	...	...	...	...
13.—Ditto by night ditto	" 444 "	...	...	...	...
14.—House-breaking ditto	" 445 "
15.—Ditto by night ditto	" 446 "
	" 457 "	...	3	2	5
Total	30	111	25	166

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PART III.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1907.

Showing Whippings inflicted under Section 5, Act VI of 1864, on juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II.

Offences.	NUMBER OF PERSONS AWARDED.			Total.	REMARKS.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
.....	223	93	9	325	
On 1st conviction	219	69	5	293	
On reconviction	4	24	4	32	
	223	93	9	325	

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PART IV.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1907.

Showing relative number of times Whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments.

Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
1	2	3
1.—Total number of whippings awarded	1,509	
—Total number of other punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded	8,217	
—Total number of all punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded. (Total of headings 1 and 2)	9,726	
—Percentage of whippings on total number of all punishments (percentage of heading 1 on heading 3)	15.51	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the result of Appeal and Revision in Criminal Cases in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

Tribunals.	NUMBER OF PERSONS											Average number of days during which each appeal lasted	Number of appeal cases disposed of during the year	REMARKS.
	Total number of Appellants and Applicants for revision before the Courts	Died, escaped, transferred to another province	Appeals or Applications rejected	Sentence not confirmed	Sentence enhanced	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered	Sentence reversed	Proceedings quashed	New trial or further enquiry ordered	Referred for revision to the High Court	Pending trial			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Appeals.														
To Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	3,112	1	1,237	946	2	255	615	...	10	..	45	10 14	2,2 9	
„ Courts of Sessions ...	2,272	1	1,091	481	2	226	316	1	20	...	122	13 91	2,149	
Superior Courts {	806		411	157	..	69	77	.	16	..	76	30 58	575	
	53	.	..	27	24	..	..	..	1	..	6	116 5	12	
Total ..	6 243	2	2,734	1 609	25	550	1,005	1	62	...	249	15 45	4,955	
Revision.														
By Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	212	..	3 3	*202	...	.	...	3	5	34	46	15 37	271	* The figures would be the Province of Sind. The Indian Commission report explains that the order to cases called for by the District Magistrates and Sessions Judges for their own purposes of revision 437 cases were not sent to the High Court for revision.
„ Courts of Sessions ...	615	1	792	*41	..	.	..	1	63	99	112	25 92	611	
„ Superior Courts ...	1,163		437	475	22	71	261	22	69	..	111	12 38	(61	
Total ..	1,990	1	1,532	699	22	74	261	29	167	135	269	32 5	1,180	
Grand Total	18,233	3	4,266	2,308	50	624	1 203	30	227	1 53	515	19 25	6,144	There were appeals in revision made on behalf of complainants in which 1,177 cases were revised and 1,177 in the same direction. The figures in the first column 2 to 10 in the total of column 5 to 12

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head “To Chief Magistrate of Districts” include all Magistrates within all the appeals under Section 17, Criminal Procedure Code.

Column 2.—Total of Columns 3 to 12. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same year will appear only against the Court by which decided or in which pending at the end of the year, if not decided. The words “Applicant, filed revision” in the heading of this column will be used only in cases where a revision application for revision is made on or in whose interest the Magistrate or Judge may take steps to bring revision on his own motion. Where such application is made or such steps are taken on behalf of a complainant, the fact should be noted with the number of complainants in each of the column 3 to 12. In the last column the cases are given in which the application is made though not appearing in this column will fall into their proper places in Columns 3 to 13 according to the result of such application. This note is to apply also to cases dealt with by the High Court on review of returns.

Column 5.—Appeals dismissed under Section 423 Criminal Procedure Code, should be entered in this column.

Column 9.—Orders of discharge set aside by a Superior Court under Section 410, Criminal Procedure Code, should be entered in this column.

Column 10.—When a sentence is reversed or proceedings are quashed on appeal, and a new trial or further enquiry is at the same time ordered, the Appellate Court should fill in Column 8 as well as Column 10, or Column 9 as well as Column 10, in each case, respectively but should make the entry in Column 10 only.

Column 13.—Duration of appeals applications for revision or references should be calculated thus—

- (1) Appeals from the date of receipt in office of the petition of appeal.
- (2) Applications for revision from the date of application.
- (3) Cases dealt with by the Court otherwise than on application from date of the order calling for the record, and
- (4) Cases sent to the High Court by Lower Courts for revision from the date of the letter from the Court making the reference.

General.—Persons whose appeals were rejected under Section 421, Criminal Procedure Code, should be entered in Column 4, in which should also be included applications whose cases the Courts have refused to submit to the High Court.

In Columns 5 to 10 should be shown opposite the sub-heads for “Magistrates of Districts” and “Courts of Sessions” persons whose cases were disposed of by those Courts with reference to the High Court, and in Column 11 all persons whose cases the Courts referred to the High Court.

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 15th September 1908.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the Number and Description of Civil Suits instituted

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for recovery of moveable property.	SUITS UNDER THE REAL LAW.					
		Suits of rent with or without attachment.	For redemption or abatement of rent.	For penalties or damages of commission for violation of the law of landlord or tenant.	For recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Real Law.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
Unpaid Tribunals	28	...	...	...	...	...	...
Village Courts ... ..	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ..	58,811	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small Cause Courts	7,861	...	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts. } Chief Courts of Districts	251	...	...	..	...	...	...
Total	66,951	...	...	...	...	...	...
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.							
Presidency Small Cause Courts ...	*27,023	...	...	...	...	...	...
Superior Courts	630	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	2,7653	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total	94,607	...	...	...	...	...	...

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, }
Bombay, 15th September 1908.

No. 7—(CIVIL).

in the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

TITLE AND OTHER SUITS.										GRAND TOTAL.	TOTAL.
Suits for immovable property.	Suits for Specific Relief.	Suits to establish a right of pre-emption.	Mortgage Suits.	Suits relating to religious and other endowments.	Matrimonial Suits.	Testamentary Suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Total.			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
15	...	...	27	...	...	...	9	51	79	
...		
10,133	1,032	70	9,559	25	171	24	8,529	20,543	88,351		
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	339	339	8,203	
99	88	6	48	5	22	200	128	506	847		
10,247	1,120	76	9,634	30	193	224	9,005	30,529	97,483		
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27,623	* This includes the figures for the Small Cause Court, Karachi.
31	24	...	17	9	4	31	305	424	1,054		
31	24	...	17	9	1	34	305	424	28,077		
10,278	1,144	76	9,651	39	197	258	9,310	30,953	125,560		

* This includes the figures for the Small Cause Court, Karachi.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing Number and Value of Suits instituted in the

Class of Tribunals.	NUMBER OF SUITS INSTITUTED				
	Not exceeding Rs. 10	Not exceeding Rs. 50.	Not exceeding Rs. 100	Not exceeding Rs. 500	Not exceeding Rs. 1,000
1	2	3	4	5	6
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR					
Unpaid Tribunals ...	6	22	17	22	8
Village Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals...	7,853	31,341	18,294	23,433	3,714
Small Cause Courts ...	930	3,650	1,526	1,913	148
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	28	70	41	151	83
Chief Courts of Districts ...					
Total ...	8,817	35,089	19,878	25,540	3,953
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.					
Presidency Small Cause Courts ...	1,562	10,818	5,591	7,049	1,283
Superior Courts ...	...	...	...	6	0
Total ...	1,562	10,818	5,591	7,055	1,282
Grand Total ...	10,379	45,907	25,469	32,604	5,245

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, }
Bombay, 15th September 1908.*

No. 8—(CIVIL).

Civil and Revenue Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

IN THE DIFFERENT COURTS.				Total Value of Suits.	REMARKS.
Not exceeding Rs. 5,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money.		
7	8	9	10	11	12
				Rs. a p.	
1	1	...	2	23,101 4 8	
...	
2,519	185	141	874	*2,31,91,958 13 13	*83 Suits which were readmitted to the file during the year 1907 are not included in this statement. Their total value is Rs. 16,170 9-4.
...	...	...	...	7,78,151 14 9½	
186	52	23	213	*25,84,080 1 1	
2,706	238	164	1,089	2,65,77,292 1 8½	
720	...	...	...	42,63,580 6 6	
360	186	169	324	95,05,935 2 5	
1,080	186	169	324	1,37,67,515 8 11	
3,786	424	333	1,413	4,03,46,807 10 7½	

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JUDICIAL STATE

PART I—

Statement showing the general result of the trial of Civil and Revenue Cases in the

Class of Courts.	Total number of suits before the Courts.	NUMBER OF SUITS					
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	WITHOUT CONTEST.			
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed <i>ex-parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex-parte</i> .
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
Unpaid Tribunals ...	89	...	8	8	4	2	...
Village Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small Sub-Divisional Tribunals.	120,112	...	12,142	16,439	5,722	9,739	1,361
Small Cause Courts ...	10,081	...	908	1,806	1,400	1,695	80
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	1,428	...	95	50	7	164	14
Chief Courts of Districts ...							
Total ...	131,710	...	13,153	18,303	7,133	11,600	1,455
Courts at the Presidency or Seat of Government.							
Presidency Small Cause Courts.	*29,833	...	1,163	5,805	5,875	9,259	59
Superior Courts ...	3,105	...	358	230	10	593	198
Total ...	32,938	...	1,521	6,035	5,885	9,852	257
Grand Total ...	(a)164,648	...	14,674	24,338	13,018	21,452	1,712

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 13. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will pending from the preceding year should be noted in the column of remarks and when deducted from the total of at the end of the previous year, the balance does not agree with the figures in Column 13 of Statement No. VII, the Column 6.—When under Section 102, Civil Procedure Code, a decree is wholly or partially made in favour of an absent Column 8.—A case in which Defendant appears but a Plaintiff does not and Defendant does not confess judgment and the Columns 15 and 16.—As regards the average duration of suits the date of the presentation of the plaint shall be considered admission after amendment shall be regarded as the date of institution. With regard to application to execute decrees in the particular Court should alone be calculated. The interval should be omitted during which an application for review are to be treated as if newly instituted on revival.

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, }
Bombay, 15th September 1908.*

MENT No. 9—(CIVIL).

CIVIL SUITS.

Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

DISPOSED OF.				Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	AVERAGE DURATION OF SUITS.		REMARKS.
ON REFERENCE TO ARBITRATION.		WITH CONTEST.				Contested.	Uncontested.	
For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.	Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
4	...	21	5	37	21	138.42	26.42	
...	
4,963	65	36,094	5,774	27,813	14,928	192.44	99.62	
4	...	2,136	269	1,783	648	95.8	20.22	
102	5	266	131	594	407	307.31	116.56	Besides the suits shown in columns 4 to 12, the following were also before the High Court on its Original Side:— 11 Petitions for leave to sue or defend in <i>forma pauperis</i> . 23 " under the Indian Trustee's Act. 8 " " the Indian Companies' Act. 33 " " the Indian Land Acquisition Act.
5,073	70	38,517	6,179	30,227	16,004	188.23	83.79	239 Miscellaneous Petitions. There were also 184 applications for Probate and 334 for Letters of Administration, all of which, save 33 applications in which affidavits in support of caveat were filed, were disposed of by the Testamentary Registrar.
160	38	3,144	1,255	3,075	440	46.12	34.79	
4	...	154	37	1,521	1,211	176.45	308.55	
161	38	3,298	1,292	4,596	1,651	51.52	47.58	
5,237	108	41,815	7,471	34,823	17,655	175.49	71.48	* This includes the figures for Small Cause Court, Karachi. (a) The number of cases pending at the close of the last year was 37,002. If this is deducted from the total of column 2, the balance is 127,628, instead of 125,560. This is due to there being 2,068 revived suits in this year.

appear only against the Court by which decided or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided. The number of cases in Column 2 should leave a balance corresponding with the total of Column 18 of Statement No. VII. If, after deducting the arrears shown in Column 2, the balance is not zero, the difference should be explained.

Plaintiff on the admission of the Defendant, the case should be entered in this column.

case is thereupon dismissed, the case should be entered in this column.

as the date of institution unless some defect or omission requires to be amended before the plaint can be admitted, in which case the date of the date of their presentation should alone be considered. In calculating average duration, the time that the suit has been actually pending which has been granted, or an appeal in which an order of remand has been passed, has been pending in the Superior Court. Revived suits

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of Civil and Revenue Cases in the Courts

Class of Courts.	Total Number of Cases before the Courts.	NUMBER OF CASES					
		Trans- ferred to Courts in other Pro- vinces.	Without trial.	Without contest.			
				Com- promised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed <i>ex-parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex-parte</i> .
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
Unpaid Tribunals	15	...	8	...	...	...	4
Village Courts ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	11,422	...	1,717	393	555	2,075	469
Small Cause Courts	506	...	55	55	24	44	35
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	3,140	...	456	61	37	670	149
Chief Courts of Districts							
Total ...	15,083	...	2,236	509	616	2,789	657
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.							
Presidency Small Cause Courts ...	6,903	...	2,249	568	1,620	1,590	...
Superior Courts	20	...	11	...	...	...	...
Total ...	6,923	...	2,260	568	1,620	1,590	...
Grand Total ...	22,006	...	4,496	1,077	2,236	4,379	657

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 13. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province.
General (1).—Cases under Section 278, Civil Procedure Code, should be treated as Miscellaneous Judicial Cases.

(2).—The classes of Applications dealt with by Appellate Courts only and specified in the note to Judicial Statement

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 15th September 1908.

No. 9—(CIVIL).

CASES—(JUDICIAL).

of Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

DISPOSED OF.				Pending at the close of the year.	Number of Cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average duration of Cases (contested).	REMARKS.
On reference to Arbitration.		With contest.					
For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.	Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
...	...	1	1	1	...	121	
...	
5	...	2,841	1,504	1,863	541	119·89	
...	...	147	57	89	19	76·97	
...	...	680	375	712	269	135·17	
5	...	3,669	1,937	2,665	829	121·20	
1	...	394	93	388	1	31·77	
...	5	4	1	229·8	
1	...	394	98	392	2	33·01	
6	...	4,063	2,035	3,057	831	114·09	

will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided.

No. 10, Part II, should not be shown in this Statement,

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART I.—APPEALS

Statement showing the business of the Civil and Revenue Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of Appeals before the Courts.	Transferred to Courts in another Province or Presidency.	Decisions confirmed under Section 551, Civil Procedure Code.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	HEARD <i>ex-parte</i> .				
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.									
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.									
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	*8,113	...	410	237	71	16	28	15	
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts ...									
Superior Appellate Courts other than Chief Court of Province ... ..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Total ...	8,113	...	410	237	71	16	28	15	
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.									
Chief Court of Province.	Appeals from Original Decrees	650	...	34	22	13	1	7	...
	Appeals from Appellate Decrees	1,754	...	358	16	12	...	3	...
Total ...	2,404	...	392	38	25	1	10	...	
Grand Total ...	*10,517	...	802	275	96	17	38	15	

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 14. Appeals transferred from one Court to another in the same
This column should also include appeals pending from the preceding

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, }
Bombay, 15th September 1908.

No. 10—(CIVIL).

FROM DECREES.

Courts of the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

CONTSTED.				Pending.	Of these pending more than three months	Average duration of Appeals.	Objections under Section 561, Act XIV of 1882.	REMARKS.
Con-firmed.	Modi-fied.	Reversed.	Remand-ed.					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
2,249	562	523	174	3,828	2,575	268·31	352	* These include 458 appeals disposed of by Subor-dinate Judges and Small Cause Court Judges invest-ed with Appellate powers.
...	
2,249	562	523	174	3,828	2,575	268·31	532	
162	31	21	14	342	261	321 01	17	
481	60	77	44	703	316	58 30	3	
643	94	98	58	1,045	577	117 81	20	
2,892	656	621	232	4,878	3,152	232·08	372	

Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided. year, the number of such being noted in the column of remarks.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Statement showing the business of the Civil and Revenue Appeal

Class of Courts.	Total number of Appeals before the Court.	Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed under Section 551, C. P. C.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	HEARD <i>ex-parte</i> .			
					Rejected.	Modified.	Decreed or Granted.	Remanded.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.								
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	526	...	42	31	4	...	3	1
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Superior Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Province.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	526	...	42	31	4	...	3	1
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.								
Chief Court of Province. { Appeals from Original Orders.	77	...	14	7	2	...	...	...
{ Appeals from Appellate Orders.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	77*	...	14	7	2	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	603†	...	56	38	6	...	3	1

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 14. Miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts transferred from the year, if not decided.

General.—This statement should include not only Appeals from Orders under Section 538 of the Code of Civil Procedure, but also

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Bombay, 15th September 1908.

No. 10—(CIVIL).

APPEALS.

late Courts of the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

CONTESTED.				Pending.	Of these pending more than three months.	Average duration of Miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts.	Objections under Section 561, Act XIV of 1882.	REMARKS.
Rejected.	Modified.	Decreed or Granted.	Remanded.					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
174	31	72	19	149	91	242·62	25	* In addition to these the following miscellaneous work was disposed of by the Sadar Court of Sind and the High Court, Appellate Side :— <i>By the Sadar Court of Sind :—</i> 23 Applications under Section 622, Civil Procedure Code. 32 Applications under Section 25 of Act IX of 1887. 1 Application under Section 596, and 600, Civil Procedure Code. <i>By the High Court, Appellate Side :</i> 9 Applications to withdraw or transfer Appeals, Section 25, Civil Procedure Code. 4 Applications for leave to appeal as a pauper, Section 592, Civil Procedure Code. 31 Applications for Review of Judgment, Section 623, Civil Procedure Code. 3 Applications for leave to appeal to His Majesty's Privy Council, Section 602, Civil Procedure Code. 77 Applications for stay of execution, Section 545, Civil Procedure Code. 315 Applications under the Court's Extraordinary Jurisdiction. 8 Civil References (i. e. 6 under the Indian Divorce Act, IV of 1869 and 2 under Civil Procedure Code, XIV of 1882. 506 Other applications under the Civil Procedure Code not specially mentioned above, and 1,067 Applications were disposed of out of Court by the Registrar and his Deputy. † This includes 84 appeals pending at the close of the preceding year.
...	
174	31	72	19	149	91	242·62	25	
...	
15	...	10	4	25	14	217·61	2	
...	
15	...	10	4	25	14	217·61	2	
...	
189	31	82	23	174	105	239·59	27	

one Court to another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of Appeals in Miscellaneous Judicial cases, i. e., the cases entered in Judicial Statement No. 9, Part II.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the result of Proceedings on applications for the Execution of the

Class of Courts.	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts.	APPLICATIONS DISPOSED OF—				Pending at the end of the year.	Number of applications pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Amount realized
		By transfer.	Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.								
Unpaid Tribunals	156	3	28	24	70	31	12	Rs. a p. 2,551 15 3½
Village Courts ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	169,903	140	20,241	23,943	87,229	38,353	18,082	30,58,381 5 1
Small Cause Courts	9,370	2	1,156	1,562	5,725	925	236	77,477 14 10
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	669	49	116	69	265	170	93	1,38,125 11 4
Chief Courts of Districts								
Superior Courts ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Total	180,101	194	21,541	25,598	93,289	39,479	18,423	32,76,566 14 6½
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.								
Presidency Small Cause Courts	*15,729	†456	2,274	2,451	8,807	1,741	111	6,30,915 7 2
Superior Courts	2,310	...	55	28	159	2,068	51	8,30,998 10 3
Total	18,039	456	2,329	2,479	8,966	3,809	162	14,61,914 1 5
Grand Total	198,140	650	23,870	28,077	102,255	43,288	18,585	47,38,480 15 11½

Note.—Column 2—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 7.

* Includes the figures for Small Cause Court, Karachi.

† Besides these there were 597 applications disposed of by transfer to Courts within the Presidency.

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 16th September 1908.

No. 11—(CIVIL).

Decrees of the Civil and Revenue Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS—												REMARKS.
On which the judgment-debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested, but released without imprisonment.	On which moveable property—		On which immoveable property—			On which possession was given—		On which specific performance was enforced.	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than the preceding columns.	
10	11	Was sold.	Was attached, but subsequently released.	Was sold.	Was dealt with under Section 305, 322 or 326, Act XIV of 1882.	Was attached, but subsequently released under Section 275.	Of moveables.	Of immoveables.				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21			
...	...	2	3	2	...	2	...	6	77	Statement showing the number and duration of Dakhlasts disposed of during the year 1907, in which immoveable property was sold by the Civil Courts or the Collectors in the Presidency of Bombay, including Sind (vide Government letter No. 875, dated 16th February 1904).
...	
176	435	919	998	3,523	388	2,589	35	2,930	61	167	27,754	
76	139	80	84	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,261
4	11	4	3	11	3	1	1	3	...	2	36	
...	
256	585	1,005	1,088	3,536	391	2,592	36	2,939	61	160	31,128	
302	1,595	462	1,056	...	...	...	...	79	...	...	1,365
11	20	4	27	3	...	13	10	...	...	...	96
313	1,615	466	1,083	3	...	13	10	79	...	...	1,461
569	2,200	1,471	2,171	3,539	391	2,605	46	3,018	61	169	32,589	

Number of Dakhlasts in Column 2 which were pending —												
By whom immoveable property was sold.	Total number of Dakhlasts in which immoveable property was sold.	Less than a year.	Over 1 year.	Over 2 years.	Over 3 years.	Over 4 years.	Over 5 years.	Over 6 years.	Over 7 years.	Over 8 years.	Over 9 years.	Over 10 years.
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
By the Civil Courts	2	2,151	1,203	706	140	38	3	...	...	...	...
By the Collectors	1,425	118	516	493	69	35	24	5	3	3	3

* The total of column 2 of this sub-statement does not agree with the total of column 14 of statement No. 11 as the total number of Dakhlasts shown in column 2 of the sub-statements for the Districts of Khandesh, Ahmedabad and Surat and of the Prohaphary, High Court, Original Side, exceed the number shown in column 14 of the Statement by 28, 1, 1 and 8 respectively and that given in the sub-statement for the District of Belgaum is less than the number shown in column 14 by 1.

‡ 50,637 pending from last year.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 12—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the Number and Result of Applications and Proceedings under Chapter XX, Civil Procedure Code, in the Presidency of Bombay, in the year 1907.

Class of Courts.	APPLICATIONS FOR A DECLARATION OF INSOLVENCY.								Number of Insolvents discharged during the year under Section 355.
	Total number for hearing.	Transferred to another Province, withdrawn, &c.	Granted.		Rejected.			Pending at the close of the year.	
			A receiver being appointed.	A receiver not being appointed.	Penal proceedings under Section 359 not being taken.	Sentence of imprisonment being passed under Section 359.	Applicant being sent to the Magistrate to be dealt with.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	354	95	27	43	67	5	...	117	11
Chief Courts of Districts. } Superior Courts ...	16	1	5	...	3	...	...	7	2
Total ...	370	96	32	43	70	5	...	124	13

Class of Courts.	Number of Insolvents' Estates in the hands of Receivers in which Proceedings were finally closed during the year.	AMOUNT OF CREDITORS' CLAIMS DEALT WITH DURING THE YEAR.		GROSS AMOUNT OF INSOLVENTS' ASSETS REALIZED AND DISBURSED.		REMARKS.
		Admitted.	Satisfied.	Realized during the year.	Disbursed during the year.	
1	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	4	6,963 15 11	296 6 11	3,377 6 0	2,457 1 1	
Chief Courts of Districts } Superior Courts ...	4	10,701 8 8	.....	140 11 0	.....
Total ...	8	17,665 8 7	696 6 11	3,518 1 0	2,457 1 1	

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts." Specially empowered under Section 360, Act XIV of 1882.

Column 2.—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 9. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided.

Column 3.—Applications struck off for default or otherwise not prosecuted should be entered in this column.

N. D. GHARDÁ,
Acting Assistant Registrar.

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, }
Bombay. 15th September 1908.*

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the use of Juries and Assessors in the Criminal

Name of Courts in which Juries or Assessors are employed.		Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications.	NUMBER OF ACCUSED PERSONS IN JURY TRIALS.			
			Tried	As to whom the Judge		
				Approved verdict.	Did not approve of verdict.	Made reference under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.
1		2	3	4	5	6
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Code ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Session ...	Jurors .. Assessors ...	5 2	234 ...	201 ...	30 ...	28 ...
High Court, Original Criminal Jurisdiction ...	Jurors ...	9	(6) 17	17		...
Total ..	....		251	271	30	28

His Majesty

Eqh Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, }
15th September 1908

No. 13—(CRIMINAL).

Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1907.

NUMBER OF ACCUSED PERSONS IN
TRIALS WITH ASSESSORS.

Trial.	As to whom the Judge			REMARKS.
	Agreed with all the Assessors	Differed from one or more but not from all the Assessors.	Differed from all the Assessors.	
7	8	9	10	1
...	...	.....	...	All cases falling under Chapters VIII, XI, XII, XVI XVII and XVIII or any of the said Chapters, taken in connection with section 75 of the Indian Penal Code, in which the punishment awardable is death, transportation for life or transportation or imprisonment for 10 years or upwards, and also attempts and abettment to commit any of the aforesaid offences were tried by Jury in the district of Poona.
...	...	...	...	All offences punishable with death, transportation for life, or imprisonment for 10 years were tried by Jury in the districts of Belgaum, Thana and Surat and in the city of Karachi.
(a) 1,265	933	170	182	All offences punishable with death were tried by Jury in the district of Ahmedabad Assessors were employed in all cases committed for trial to the Courts of Sessions except in the abovementioned districts as noted above.
...	...	.....	...	(a) In addition to these, there were 31 persons as under — 9 who pleaded guilty. 4 who died during pendency of trial. 4 in whose cases assessors were not consulted. 11 against whom charges withdrawn. 2 in which commitment was quashed. 1 in which accused was pardoned.
			31	
1,265	933	170	1,262	(b) In addition to these there were 11 persons who pleaded ...

N. D. Registrar.
Acting Assis'

